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School Board Discusses "Very Tight" Budget; Position Freeze Suggested

Although all the numbers were not yet in, the Princeton Regional School Board is examining a proposed annual budget that could levy a near $2 million tax burden on Princeton residents, representing a 3.6 percent tax increase. The board held a budget workshop last Wednesday to examine figures already in hand, and while anticipated health benefit costs were not included in the review, board members maintained that the proposed budget represents the kind of belt tightening required to avoid a repeat of the voting down of the 2007 schools budget.

It is anticipated that the state budget for the coming year, due to be announced on February 26, will be the same as the budget for this year — in other words, a setback, in light of increasing costs. Using a wealth-based formula, the state has suggested that the local tax base for supporting area schools should be 4 percent, or $30 million more than the $86 million already being budgeted by the Board.

The Township's share for the proposed budget is 67.2 percent, representing a 1.18 percent decrease from 68 percent in 2007. The Borough will cover a projected 32.8 percent, a 2.5 percent increase from its 32 percent rate last year. The increased tax rate for the Borough is something of an anomaly; usually the Township shoulders an increase. Board members suggested that the reason for this change is the discrepancy in the rate at which houses in the Borough and Township are currently valued, with the value of houses in the Borough decreasing at a slower rate (or, perhaps, rising faster) than those in the Township. It will take at least another year, it is believed, to see how the housing picture develops, board members said.

Describing the financial picture as "very tight," and lacking "latitude," the board proposed a "position freeze" for the next 12 months. With high school class sizes in English, social studies, world languages, and math classes "bursting" at between 29 and 31 students, and electric rates increasing by double digits every year, he noted that "the product has been the same for the last ten years." Requests for additional staff to ease overcrowded classrooms have been denied.

There is some consolation, it was noted, in the fact that the board has not had to do "programmatic harm" or "dismantling"

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Property Revaluation Looming for Princetons

With the average property tax bill in the Princetons increasing by roughly 50 percent between 2000 and 2005, residents could be facing another significant increase — this time not by way local, county, or school district levies, but slightly more formidable: property revaluation.

Following a 2006 county directive, both Princeton Borough and Princeton Township are gearing up for an anticipated revaluation. Township Committee last week introduced an ordinance that would approve a contract with an outside assessor, with Borough Council slated to introduce a mirror ordinance at its next regular meeting, slated for February 26. Passage of these ordinances would put into motion a full reassessment that would affect house values in 2009 and beyond.

The last municipal revaluation came in 1996.

Neil Snyder, the municipal tax assessor in both the Borough and Township, has assembled bid documents that would go out for the joint municipal hiring of an outside firm. The revaluation would be completed in 2008, to go into effect next year.

As of October 1, 2007, the overall ratio of assessed value in the Princetons was 47.45 percent. When Committee introduced their half of the contract bid ordinance, Township attorney Edwin Schmierer said that the goal of the revaluation is to realign that ratio so market value equals assessed value.

If the Borough and Township pass their ordinances, Mr. Snyder, along with Township CFO Kathie Monzo, and Borough CFO Sandra Webb, would produce a report that would enable the municipalities to digest how much financing will be made available to spend for the revaluation. "We'll get a sense of that later as we put the bid documents together," Mr. Schmierer said. "This is the first official step to authorize revaluation for 2009."

During the 2007 budget cycle, the average Princeton Township house was valued at $427,900, with the average Borough house valued at roughly $350,000. Those values are expected to rise considerably following revaluation.

Passage of the assessment ordinance by the municipalities does not, however, limit the towns in how they can fund the program, Ms. Monzo said. In introducing its half of the ordinance, the Township agreed in principle to fund the study through special emergency notes, which would be paid over five years. However, Committee can decide to fund the program in other ways. "This is really just putting that option in place," Ms. Monzo

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Borough Council Weighs Salary Increases; Arts Council Looks Forward to Opening

Princeton Borough Council last week agreed to introduce a measure that would, if passed, allow for a three-year, incremental salary increase for some of the Borough's top officials.

The measure, introduced in a 5-0 vote, is slated for a March 4 public hearing before final passage. The ordinance impacts salary grade levels and compensation for full-time and non-contractual personnel.

"This is an extensive revamping," said Borough administrator Robert Bruschi. Modifications included eliminating old salary grades, and reshuffling staffers *with like salaries in other pay grades. "We found in some classes that there were* one or two employees that were dragging that salary way higher than anyone else would normally be paid for that position.

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BLACK HISTORY ON DISPLAY AT JOHN WITHERSPOON: Stretching out in front of the Black History Month display they helped arrange, John Witherspooon 8th graders (from left) Olanca Walkes and Bryell Iman Wheeler flank math workshop teacher Robbie Winogora, who had the idea of creating the showcase. Among the items on view was a letter from Coretta Scott King.

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UNBROKEN HISTORICAL LINE: Princeton Hook & Ladder, one of three companies that comprise the Princeton Fire Department, is celebrating its 220th anniversary this year. As was the case in 1788, the department is still looking for volunteers, and still taking measures to preserve tradition and serve the community. This image represents the scene when Hook & Ladder was located on Nassau Street

(Photo courtesy of Princeton Hook & Ladder)

After 220 Years, Stalwart Hook & Ladder Still Vigilant, Still Looking for Volunteers

This is the first in a series on the need for volunteers in the Princeton Fire Department.

With the rain pouring down outside, it's not what one would consider a "high risk" day for fires, but here's Rob Toole, all by himself, tending to one of the company engines, at Princeton Hook & Ladder's Harrison Street station as he takes some time out from his day job to volunteer at the company to which he's given more than 20 years of "free time."

TOPICS *Of the Town*

Of course, Mr. Toole's day job is not always in the daylight — he's a veteran patrol sergeant for the Princeton Township Police Department, but right now, he's more focused on his volunteer duty as president of Hook & Ladder, which is celebrating its 220th anniversary in 2008.

The Princeton Fire Department, one of the remaining all-volunteer departments in the area, is always on the hunt for a new volunteer base. There are many volunteer fire companies that are supplemented by paid crews, but in Princeton, it is 100 percent volunteer. "We want to maintain that level of service and maintain tradition without costing the taxpayers money.

"We have always been volunteer based, and it's important to preserve that for us and all of the companies," Mr. Toole said.

Consisting of Hook & Ladder, Engine Company No. 1 on Chestnut Street, and Mercer Engine Company No. 3, the department is composed of devoted crew members. There is a friendly competition between the three units that is sometimes construed as tense, but the fact is, Mr. Toole said, that with the three companies striving to provide premium service at a premium price, minor frustrations occasionally bubble to the surface.

"Here we have the tradition to maintain, and a strong sense of service to community – once you get the fever to do this, you can't get rid of it. It all comes back to helping your fellow man," Mr. Toole said.

Even with volunteer levels slipping, the department is never at a loss for assistance. The effort to put out the fire on College Road that destroyed some Princeton University faculty housing in January was bolstered by assistance from nine other area companies. And while that instance was indicative of the strong bond between departments, even crossing municipal boundaries as is often the case, it later came to exemplify some of the strains of an all-volunteer department.

Equipment inspection by municipal inspectors following that event lagged, and while there were no threats to equipment or to resident safety, various officers in the fire department indicated that a sense of equipment neglect is just one of many things that can be a de-motivator.

Princeton Borough serves as the lead agency in overseeing the fire department, and municipal officials have for years acknowledged the lack of robust volunteerism and the strains that result, though there is hesitancy, on the part of the department

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AN IMPRESSIVE DISPLAY OF HISTORY: The second floor at the Princeton Hook & Ladder firehouse on Harrison Street, with articles, photographs, and memorabilia, provides a clear representation of 220 years of tradition within the Princeton Fire Department. *(Photo by E.J. Greenblat)*

Hook & Ladder

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to provide a paid day crew, even for administrative oversight, the reason being that it's not part of the historic departmental make up.

"There's a lot of turnover in the department, more than there used to be," said Mark Freda, a current officer and former Hook & Ladder chief, "and I think part of it is a lack of knowledge out there that people can join."

Mr. Freda added that the number of ways to get involved has increased, so volunteerism gets spread out more evenly. "Thirty years ago, there weren't nearly as many things for the teenagers to do, or for people who wanted to give back to their town. It's hard to say 'give us the serious time commitment,' so it's certainly part of the problem."

But the department is still flush with young members, and both Mr. Freda and Mr. Toole were encouraged that with current recruitment initiatives, as well as with new creative thinking, volunteer rates can rise.

"You look back to 1780, when a group of citizens got together to form the Princeton Fire Company, and it evolved over time, and we're here now as extensions of that effort," Mr. Toole said.

Hook & Ladder has come a long way since. The current firehouse was built in 1957, and before that, the company was located at Harry's Army Navy on Witherspoon Street. The locales have changed, but the tradition has remained, said Mr. Toole, whose father, William J. Toole, and grandfather, William M. Toole, were also firefighters. Mr. Toole's maternal grandfather, Charles Sutphin, was also a firefighter.

One thing that always remains is the "spirited" competition between companies. "It's just a sibling rivalry, but when the chips are down, you're going to protect your brother or sister.

"When the alarm goes off, all that bickering goes away."

For more information or to volunteer within the Princeton Fire Department, visit www.princetonboro.org, www.princetonfiredepartment.com, call (609) 497-7646, or stop by any of the fire stations to obtain an application.

—Matthew Hersh

Stuart School Accredited By Middle States Assoc.

The Stuart Country Day School of the Sacred Heart has received accreditation through the Middle States Association Commission on Secondary Schools (MSCSS) according to an announcement by the school's Board of Trustees. The School earned accreditation following an intensive three-year process, culminating in a three and one-half day visit to the school by a volunteer validation team of educators appointed by MSCSS.

During the visit, the MSCSS team met with and interviewed stakeholders of Stuart, including teachers, students, parents and administrators, as well as representatives of the Board of Trustees. Team members toured the facilities, studied the district's strategic plan for improvement and other documents related to the school's work, and observed teaching and learning in classrooms.

"Stuart Country Day School of the Sacred Heart joins thousands of other Middle States accredited institutions who uphold our standards of excellence," said association president and executive director, Henry Cram. "The school takes a holistic approach to their students' learning environment, focusing on each aspect of the school with a vision toward continual improvement. These are goals for which the entire community should be proud."

According to Mr. Cram, school quality is best measured by individual student growth over time and the value added to each child by the educational experience the school provides. "Accreditation can help a school and its community to understand better not only how it is doing, but more importantly, learn what it needs to do to improve, a key element of most state assessments," he said.

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Architect Points to Global Growth As Need for Smart Growth Locally

Monolithic skyscrapers growing out of the sandy dunes in Dubai might seem a world apart from building senior housing in the rocky terrain of the Princeton Ridge, but when looking at development growth from a global perspective, it's all a matter of perspective, said architect J. Robert Hillier Monday at Princeton's All Saints Church.

Mr. Hillier's talk, which was hosted by the Princeton Women's College Club, was offered just a short distance from where the architect has proposed a design for 158-unit senior housing facility off Bunn Drive. The proposal has garnered significant opposition, but the manner that it's being proposed, Mr. Hillier made his case that in times of major anticipated population growth, Princeton will have to begin to think about development in creative ways.

"Princeton is suffering from urban problems. It has a whole bunch of issues that every city in the nation is facing," he said. Mr. Hillier, a Town Topics shareholder who heads up the West Windsor-based RMJM Hillier, described a scenario where people are beginning to flock to more urban environments. "The coasts," Mr. Hillier said, "are expected to grow no less than 15 percent and as much as 100 percent in terms of population growth between now and the year 2050." He added that Princeton, Mercer County, and New Jersey could see as much as 50 percent growth by that time.

Mr. Hillier framed his talk, particularly the topic of building in condensed environs, around the explosion of development taking place in the Middle East and Asia. Specifically, the architect pointed to Dubai as a city that was once desert, but is now a sprawling landscape of innovative buildings, built in no real context — an important component in densely populated sections of the U.S. when figuring in Mr. Hillier's estimation that by 2040, global building will be double what exists today.

In places like Dubai and Shanghai, "it's the Wild West," he said, characterizing the growth there as "dumb growth."

In Princeton, which Mr. Hillier described as the "best little city in the world," people are finding the central Jersey locale attractive because of its urban amenities, like good restaurants, theater, culture, and industry.

Demand for new buildings, including the Hillier senior housing proposal for the Ridge, have to be designed in tune with the needs of the community. While advocates for Ridge preservation have argued that no development would be the best solution there, Mr. Hillier said that his concept, replete with sod roofs and the possibility of geothermal energy infrastructure, would respond to the forecasted increase in housing demands in New Jersey. "There are large swaths of land being developed everywhere, but here, you have to be more careful," he said.

—Matthew Hersh

Topics In Brief
A Community Bulletin

The **Princeton Township Democratic Committee** will host its second annual "Ready, Get Set, Run" workshop on becoming involved in local politics tomorrow, February 21, from 6:30 to 8 p.m., on the second floor of McCaffrey's Supermarket at the Princeton Shopping Center. The time has changed from the previously scheduled 7:30 to 9 p.m. slot. While the Township Democratic Committee sponsors the event, Borough residents looking to get more involved in the political process are also asked to attend. For more information or to RSVP, contact PTDC chair Dan Preston at dan@princetondems.org or call (609) 252-0011.

The **Republican Association of Princeton** will host its second annual Lincoln Day Dinner next Tuesday, February 26, at the Nassau Club in downtown Princeton. The scheduled guest speaker will be state Sen. Tom Kean Jr. Mr. Kean is also the State Senate's Republican minority leader. The reception will begin at 6:45 p.m. and dinner is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. The cost is $100 per person and $175 per couple. The cost is $75 per person and $135 per couple for members of the Mercer County Republican Capital Club. Reservations can be made by writing princeton.republicans@gmail.com or with checks payable to: RAP, P.O. Box 381, Princeton, N.J. 08542-0381. For more information, call (609) 537-0080. *Due to an editing error, Town Topics printed the wrong date in its February 13 issue. February 26 is the confirmed date for the Lincoln Day dinner. (MH)*

"Now What?", a **Latino Reform Youth Council**-sponsored career and academic workshop, will be held in the Princeton High School cafeteria on February 23, with a Spanish session for parents from 11 a.m. to noon, and a session in English for students from noon to 2:30 p.m. Young adults who are either in college or who have already begun a career will conduct the sessions. Local college and industry leaders along with law enforcement officials will be present. This event is free and open to the public. Lunch will be served. Other sponsors include DeVry University, the Latin American Legal Defense and Education Fund and Mercer County Community College.

The **Princeton Borough Republican Committee** launched the 2008 election cycle with its annual organizational meeting in January, followed by its participation in the Mercer County Republican Committee meeting at which county committee members made Sen. John McCain their preferred presidential nominee. PBRC is looking for Borough residents interested in joining the committee in election and promotional activity, as well as for residents interested in filling vacant electoral district chairperson spots. PBRC is also seeking potential candidates for Borough Council. For more information, e-mail borogop@yahoo.com or call (609) 497-0740.

A $4 million donation was given to enhance the study and performance of jazz at Princeton University, school officials announced last week. The gift, donated by Princeton University alumnus Anthony H.P. Lee, will go to expand the University's ability to support performances, research, and teaching. The new jazz program is "an important and integral part of Princeton's vision for the arts across the curriculum," said University President Shirley Tilghman last week. The gift will support the Anthony H.P. Lee '79 Fund for the Study of Jazz, which will provide resources for undergraduate and graduate research, coursework, and visiting faculty in the Department of Music and the Center for African American Studies.

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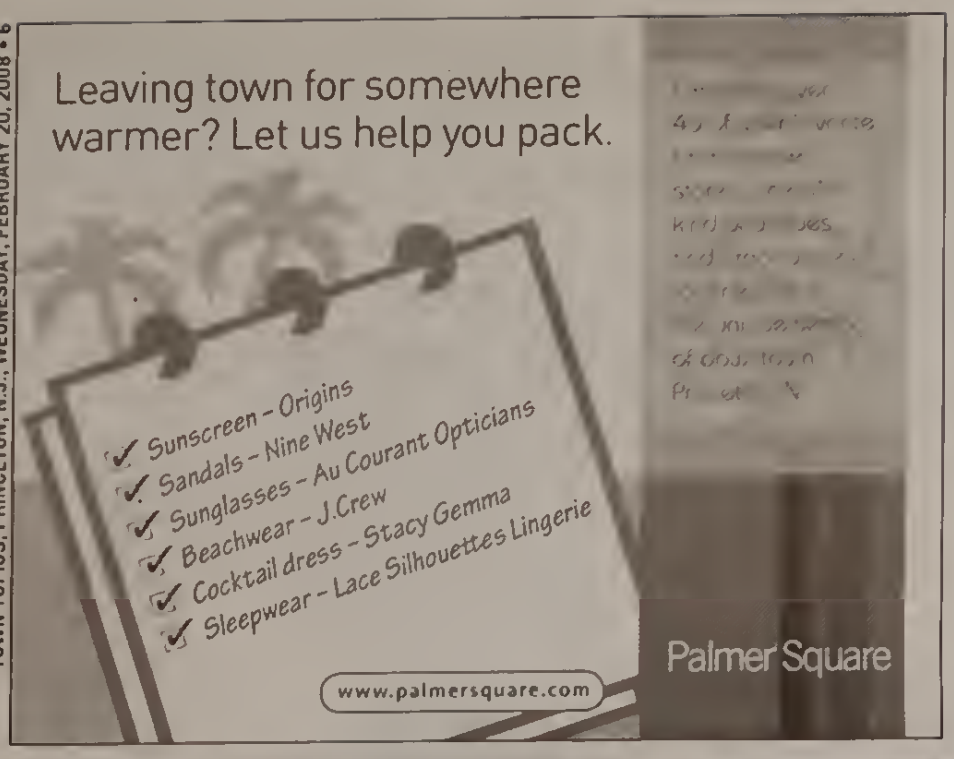

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Arts Council Receives $250,000 Legacy Grant

The Arts Council of Princeton has received a $250,000 Legacy Grant from the J. Seward Johnson, Sr. 1963 Charitable Trust. The grant represents the charter donation to the Arts Council's Endowment Fund. Interest from the grant funds will be used to support arts programming, community access and scholarships for residents of the Witherspoon-Jackson neighborhood in which the Arts Council's building is located.

The J. Seward Johnson, Sr. 1963 Charitable Trust has benefited non-profit organizations in New Jersey, and throughout the country, in the areas of arts and cultural enrichment, education for the underserved, health and healthcare, oceanography, substance abuse, conservation and the environment. Over the years, the Trust has been a primary supporter of free community programming for the Arts Council of Princeton, including seasonal events like the annual Hometown Halloween Parade, cultural festivals such as Black History Month and Cinco de Mayo, as well as free community concerts and arts education programs for at-risk youth.

According to Jeff Nathanson, executive director of the Arts Council of Princeton, "This grant provides a tremendous boost to our ability to serve effectively our local community, while functioning as the lead gift in the establishment of a new $2 million endowment fund. We cannot overstate our gratitude to the Johnson Charitable Trust and we look forward to providing increased programming for our Witherspoon-Jackson neighbors."

The Arts Council of Princeton was established as a non-profit community arts organization in 1967 and most recently has been in the process of renovating and expanding its arts center located on the corner of the Witherspoon Street and Paul Robeson Place in downtown Princeton. With a mission to "Build Community through the Arts," the Arts Council serves the greater Princeton area through multidisciplinary exhibitions, performances and free community events; workshops and classes for children, teens and adults; and outreach educational programming.

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Question of the Week:

With the Academy Awards coming up this Sunday, which of the nominees would you select for best motion picture, best actress in a leading role, and best actor in a leading role?

"Best picture? Definitely *No Country For Old Men* — the Academy loves the Coen Brothers. For best actor and actress, I would choose Tommy Lee Jones and Ellen Page." — *Ben Barnum, Maryland*

"*There Will Be Blood*, Daniel Day Lewis, and Cate Blanchett." — *Mike Finkelstein with Susan Neilson, Princeton*

"*There Will Be Blood*, and Daniel Day Lewis — I don't know about the actress!" — *Hanna Engebretson, Franklin*

"*Juno*, Ellen Page, and Johnny Depp." — *Heidi Schoenberger, Princeton*

"*There Will Be Blood*, Daniel Day Lewis, and Julie Christie." — *Pat Feeley, with Roxanne, New York City*

"Well, it's not my choice of course, but I think *Atonement* will be awarded best picture, and then I think Julie Christie and Daniel Day Lewis will get the top honors." — *Ginny Mason, Princeton*

After Acting as Town's Eco-Conscience, Breithaupt Makes Way for New Leadership

While he abhors excessive environmental activism and worries about the credibility of extreme "Greenpeace tactics," David Breithaupt, the former corporate vice president at Church & Dwight, suggests that there are environmental solutions to be found in municipal government.

But it takes time, and, most importantly, Mr. Breithaupt said, it takes balance.

The former chairman of the Princeton Environmental Commission stepped down last month, making way for new leadership to continue driving an agency that, he said, should be a "meaningful commission that is to be reckoned with."

A joint municipal agency that includes gardeners, scientists, sustainability experts, and even former corporate executives, the Princeton Environmental Commission has progressed from what was once largely a reactive, ad hoc body to being one of the few agencies that is aggressively proactive, advancing policy and recommending various local environmental mandates.

It wasn't always that way. In fact, the commission "wasn't doing that much" when Mr. Breithaupt came on board in 1994.

"We passed a lot of newspaper articles around during our meetings, and it was frustrating because, coming from a business background, I wanted to make sure things got done and done on time.

"I just felt that the Environmental Commission wasn't doing very much, people would come to a meeting and start shooting from the hip," Mr. Breithaupt said. With the help of then-commissioners Corinne Kyle and Betty Wolfe, a reformation of sorts was in the works.

A new construct was formed, where commissioners could get acclimated with proposed subject matter that was set for a predetermined agenda. It was a great way, Mr. Breithaupt said, "for eliminating all the junk that went around."

The commission then became a good outlet for environmentally concerned residents to participate in a useful manner on the civic level. "I really take umbrage at what some of the overly active environmentalists do; in fact, I find it damaging.

"We're not for crashing into ships to make a statement. If we're going to really maintain credibility as a good environmental agent, there just needs to be a sense of balance," Mr. Breithaupt said. "If you don't have that, people just start to ignore you."

Considering the active resident base in Princeton on any number of environmental issues, but particularly those related to the municipal deer management program and proposed development on the Princeton Ridge, balance is more important than ever, Mr. Breithaupt said,

The Ridge in particular has been at the center of the commission's focus, with a standing approval to build age 62-and-over housing off Mount Lucas Road, and a proposal to construct 158 age 55-and-over residences off Bunn Drive. Preserving the Ridge has become the virtual poster child for the commission lately, and Mr. Breithaupt said he uses a pragmatic approach to preserving what he said are important elements of that area. "On the Ridge, we have habitats for fauna, fowl, and small animals, and we have trees that are at stake with any development there.

"It's important to hold on to that. There's a reason why when you get off the Dinky coming in from New York City, you're hit with this feeling of fresh air. That's not an accident."

Going "way back" to when the Township was considering the Acorn Glen development on Mount Lucas Road, Mr. Breithaupt said that his concern for the Ridge was not nearly as amplified. It wasn't until developer K. Hovnanian, with a plan for 140 senior residential units, came along, that he started to "get hung up.

"I've always felt that on Bunn Drive, there was nothing that really stood out – even the office uses. It's always been a wooded setting, and I've always felt that anything there would maintain that kind of look," he said, rejecting the perception that the alternative to senior housing would be sprawling office space, as is allowed for in the underlying zoning on the Ridge.

"The unintended consequence is that we're setting a precedent and I worry that by 2025, we'll have the whole Ridge covered with very large developments, and then how can Township Committee or the zoning board say no to any of this? Once it's been established, it's very hard to go back."

In adding that a more in-town location for senior housing, like the Princeton Shopping Center or downtown Princeton, would be preferable, Mr. Breithaupt suggested that the two Princetons should take a more holistic approach toward solving housing problems: "The fact that the Borough and Township are not working together on this is absolutely criminal."

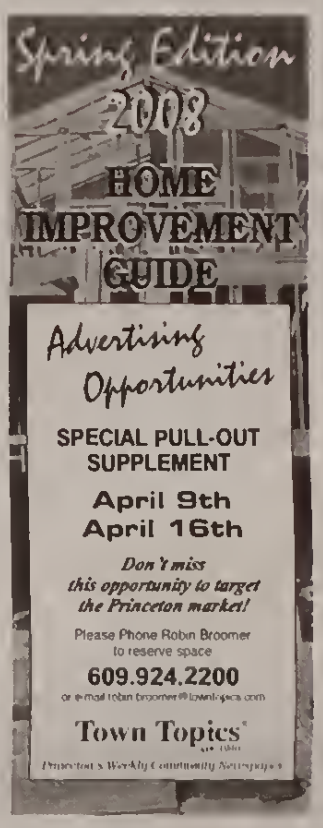
Controversy aside, however, Mr. Breithaupt said that he can look back on some of the highlights of his tenure, which included the hiring of an open space manager in the Township, the passage of the municipal shade tree ordinance, helping the Princetons cope with stringent stormwater management mandates from the state, and implementing computer recycling programs.

Most notably, however, has been the ongoing effort toward sustainability. The Sustainable Princeton initiative, where the towns have used grant monies to conduct energy audits on school and government buildings, educate residents on conservation of resources, and promote sustainable practices, has been "particularly rewarding."

Mr. Breithaupt pointed to the civic involvement in the Sustainable Princeton programming: "People are saying that we need to do this locally so we have a healthy planet for our grandchildren. It was something whose time had come."

And for Mr. Breithaupt, the time has also come to pass on the eco-torch, though he said he might show up periodically to make sure that balance is still in effect.

—Matthew Hersh



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REAPING THEIR REWARDS (from left): State Boerd of Agriculture President Bill Griffin, Pem Mount, Gary Mount, and New Jersey Secretery of Agriculture Charles M. Kuperus.

CASTING THEIR BALLOTS: Princeton Day School middle school students went to their very own polling place on February 4 to vote in the presidentiel primary. Sixth greder Harrison Okun of Princeton voted electronicelly as classmate Kunaal Petade ot West Windsor weited his turn. The Democrat winner et PDS was Sen. Barack Obama, with 114 votes to 29 for Sen. Hillary D. Clinton. On the Ropublican side, Sen. John McCain won with 21 votes, followed by Mitt Romney with 11 votos, Ron Paul with 7, and Mike Huckebee with 3. The election wes supervised by Middle School Technology Coordinator James Atkeson. "It wes greet to see the students thinking about the cendidates and the issues," Mr. Atkeson said.

LAND AND SEA: The Law Firm, Fox Rothschild, sponsored a recent trip for temilies like these trom Homefront in Trenton to see the Disney on Ice production, "Little Nemo."

PROTECTOR AND BRINGER OF MATERIAL PROSPERITY: The Waldorf School ot Princeton celebrated the year ot the rat as a component to a Chinese New Yeer Celebration. Chinese is one of two lenguages teught to grade school students at Waldorf. Pictured are fifth graders who put on en elaborate puppet show for over 100 students. (Back row, from left): Zane Pape-White, Noah Hillman, Gareth Cunniff, Kanwer Saroya, and Duncan MacGregor. (Front row from left): Annie Jones, Mia Rebeck and Nicola Faas.

People

Agricultural Convention Honors Pam and Gary Mount

Gary and Pam Mount, Mercer County fruit and vegetable farmers, were honored February 5 with Distinguished Service Citations at the New Jersey Agricultural Convention held in Cherry Hill.

"Pam and Gary Mount are vocal, energetic advocates for New Jersey Agriculture who consistently give of themselves to improve and promote the industry," said New Jersey Secretary of Agriculture Charles M. Kuperus. "They lead by example with their innovative thinking, setting trends in the industry in their interactions with the public."

Since 1975, the Mounts have owned and operated Terhune Orchards in Lawrence Township, which now consists of 185 acres growing 36 different fruits, vegetables, and flowers. Fifty-five of those acres have been in the Farmland Preservation Program since 1984, part of 2,500 contiguous preserved acres in Lawrence Township.

Terhune Orchards offers educational programs and farm tours. It attracts a half million visitors a year.

Gary Mount was born in Princeton and graduated from Princeton University and served in the Peace Corps as an agricultural agent, along with Pam as newly married volunteers. He participated in the development and growth of the state's Farmland Preservation Program, and he has been a leader with the International Dwarf Fruit Tree Association, which fostered the revitalization of the apple industry for the introduction of more eflicient production systems.

Pam also is from Princeton, garnering a B.A. degree from Lake Erie College. In the Peace Corps, she served as a volunteer teacher. Active in the New Jersey Agricultural Society, she helped initiate such programs as the Agricultural Leadership Development Program, Farmers Against Hunger, and School Gardens. Pam served as Lawrence Township Mayor in 2001 and 2005, and continues to serve on the town council.

"The Mounts are part of a proud group of capable, hard-working leaders honored over the years for their efforts to keep New Jersey's agriculture green and growing," said Secretary Kuperus. "We thank them for all of their contributions and wish them continued success in the future."

High School Singers Entertain At Community Works Program

Princeton High School's a cappella group, "Around Eight," entertained more than 400 participants at this year's Community Works conference, held on January 28 at Princeton University.

Community Works is designed to support the partnership between volunteers and non-profit agencies by addressing three key elements of success: networking, increasing awareness of community resources, and training.

"Around Eight" consists of sophomores, juniors and seniors who audition annually and who are already members of the PHS Choir. The group has a repertoire ranging from traditional madrigals to the latest in contemporary pop-rock music, and regularly performs at various events throughout the Princeton area.

The group is run completely by its student members, who organize performances, and arrange and teach music. The group is available for private engagements. For additional information, contact Courtney Shaw or John Yi at thisisjohnyi@gmail.com or call (609) 477-4432.

For more information on Community Works, visit www.princetoncommunityworks.org or call (609) 924-8652 or (609) 430-9740.

CLASS ACT: PDS senior Tammy Lam eerned the highest possible score on the ACT assessment test, and wes named a candidete in the 2008 Presidential Scholers Program by the U.S. Department of Educetion.

CELEBRATING 100 YEARS: Angeline Sculerati Dietorli of West Windsor recently celebrated her 100th birthday et e dinner dance held in her honor. She hes 20 great-grendchildren, and is expecting e great-greet grandchild this spring. Ms. Dieforli, who is believed to be one of the two oldest members of Saint Peul's Perish in Princefon, wes a member and held officer positions in the Ladies Auxiliery of the Princeton Elks, the American Legion, the Cetholic Daughfers, the Columbiettes, the Golden Agers, the Alfer end Rosery Society of St. Peul's, end the West Windsor KeenAgers.

Times Reporter Hoge Discusses U.N. At Woodrow Wilson School Lecture

Warren Hoge

"I don't attack the U.N., I don't defend it, I simply cover it," said Warren Hoge, United Nations foreign affairs correspondent for The New York Times during a talk at the Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs last week.

Mr. Hoge, who has filled a number of positions at the Times over the last 30 years, acknowledged that the U.N. has "never been as discredited as it is today, nor as consequential. Flawed as it is, it has to exist." The extent of the U.N.'s peacekeeping role, he noted, was "not imagined when its charter was written." There are over 100,000 U.N. soldiers currently stationed in hot spots around the world.

A new secretary-general and a new U.S. Ambassador have brought an air of considerable change to the U.N. which was, Mr. Hoge said, a "desolate place" suffering from "mass institutional depression" when he arrived there in November, 2003. At that time, he said, President Bush's displeasure with the U.N., which had not sanctioned the Iraq War, and his disdain for treaties and organizations like the U.N. as obstacles to achieving U.S. goals, had created a "toxic brew." Nor did then-Ambassador John Bolton's view that countries with greater resources (i.e., western nations) should have more power sit well with poorer nations.

The importance of the U.N. to Third World countries was evidenced in Mr. Hoge's description of African countries voting against Venezuela's admission to the Security Council after its President, Hugo Chavez, joked about standing in the same spot as Satan (Mr. Bush) had the previous day. Although delegates "loved" Mr. Chavez's "little show" at the time, the African delegates, for whom the U.N. is "almost a church," were not amused, and Panama won the coveted place in the Security Council.

Mr. Hoge was respectful, though not without reservations in his discussion of Ban Ki-moon, the U.N.'s new secretary-general. He noted that Mr. Ban had a tough act to follow in his elegant predecessor, Kofi A. Annan, who commands a room, speaks with a charming lilt, and has "beautiful hands." Mr. Ban's Korean-accented English does not go over as well as Mr. Annan's melodious Ghanan-inflected speech, and he clearly does not have the same kind of presence. In his defense, Mr. Hoge noted that public figures in Asian culture are not used to making grand entrances, and that new secretary-general is catching on fast: he was recently observed skillfully "glad-handing" a room full of Israeli politicians.

When Mr. Hoge described Mr. Ban's style as "boring," he seemed to mean it in the positive sense of being insistent and penetrating, rather than dull. He noted the secretary-general's habit of dismissing note-takers at meetings, so he can go one-on-one with important world leaders. A particularly striking instance of this tactic, he observed, was when Mr. Ban met with Moammar Kadafi in the Libyan leader's palace tent. After about 45 minutes he "expelled" all the aides present, and pulled his chair up to go "nose to nose" with the "very dramatic-looking" Mr. Kadafi, who, in the end, agreed to hold peace talks in Libya.

"The jury is still out," on the "halting" Korean whose intense work ethic exhausts his aides and the press who cover him, but Mr. Hoge is hopeful that the new secretary-general will slow down on the "amazing number of trips" he has made in his first year, to pay attention to, and earn the loyalty of, his colleagues inside the U.N. itself. One good sign, he suggested, is Mr. Ban's sense of humor, which was on display after Mr. Hoge wrote an article describing his "wooden" manner. During his comments at a black-tie event about four weeks later, Mr. Ban cited Mr. Hoge's description of him, and broke into an Elvis Presley song from G.I. Blues: "Treat me nice, treat me good/Treat me like you really should/'Cause I'm not made of wood/And I don't have a wooden heart."

Besides being able to quote Elvis, Mr. Ban has made the situation in Darfur and concerns about climate change two of his top priorities and, said Mr. Hoge, those were "bold moves." Another hopeful development is the existence of the Responsibility to Protect ("R2P") statement, which gives the U.N. the power to protect populations from genocide, ethnic cleansing, war crimes, and crimes against humanity if their own government is unwilling to cooperate.

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In a contest called "Your Loss is Their Gain," the Mercer Street Friends Food Bank, whose mission is to alleviate hunger through food distribution, nutrition education, and assistance, advocacy, and outreach, will receive $1 for every pound lost by participants, up to $3,000.

Ed McNeill, president of Gold's Gym Lawrenceville, said the gym wanted to create a program that would not only help the community, but also encourage members to become more active and to lose weight.

Participants must register by March 1. The contest ends June 1. Participants will be weighed monthly by a certified personal trainer. The biggest loser will receive a trip for two to the Caribbean. During the Gold's Gym Annual Beach Party this summer, Mercer Street Friends will be presented with a check and the prize will be given to the biggest loser.

Details of the contest are available at the personal training desk at Gold's Gym Lawrenceville or by calling (609) 275-8900. For more information about Mercer Street Friends, the food bank, or any of their social service programs, contact Director of Communications Janina Akins by phone at (609) 396-1506, or visit their website at www.mercerstreetfriends.org.

WEIGHT LOSS INCENTIVE: Holding the blank check to Mercer Street Friends that will be filled in at the conclusion of the "Your Loss Is Their Gain" campaign are (from left): Barry H. Cole, Executive Director of Mercer Street Friends; Darius Young, Assistant Director of Personal and Performance Training; Joe Casanova, Director of Personal Training; and Ed McNeill, President of Gold's Gym Lawrenceville & Gold's Gym Hamilton.

Clubs

The Princeton Chapter of Amnesty International is hosting a free event with award winning play-write, Catherine Filloux, at 7 p.m., on Thursday, February 28, in the Community Room at the Princeton Public Library. Ms. Filloux will talk about her play, *Lemkin, Äôs House* which is based on the life of Raphael Lemkin who coined the word genocide in 1944, lobbied the United Nations to pass the international convention against genocide, and spent his life working to have genocide recognized as an international crime. The play is set in Lemkin, Äôs afterlife and imagines the torments he suffers as a result of the atrocities that occurred in Rawanda and Bosnia in the 1990s. A winner of the O'Neill Prize, Ms. Filloux has also received awards from the Kennedy Center Fund for New American Plays, the O'Neill, the Rockefeller MAP Fund, and the Asian Cultural Council and is the co-founder of Theatre Without Borders, a volunteer organization engaged in international theater exchange.

The **West Windsor Keen Agers** senior citizen club will hold its monthly meeting on Friday, February 29 at 12:30 p.m. at the West Windsor Senior Center. Carole Nelson of East Windsor will discuss the "History of the Underground Railroad in New Jersey and the Folklore of the Quilt" at 1 p.m.

The program is free and open to the public. Sandwiches may be purchased for $2.50. To order, call (609) 490-0816 by February 21.

The club welcomes new members 55 and older.

The **Princeton Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution** will celebrate its 115th anniversary on Saturday, March 1 at the Nassau Club, 6 Mercer Street. A members meeting at 1 p.m. will be followed by a birthday tea at 2 p.m.

Former chapter regent Dawn Fairchild will present a program entitled "A Birthday Program of History." State Regent Carole Palmer Hare will attend the event, as will past chapter presidents.

Those interested in joining the Princeton chapter are invited to join the celebration. Reservations must be received by February 20. The tea will cost $20.

For more information or to request a reservation, e-mail newjersey1776@princetondar.org.

The **Princeton Senior Resource Center** will honor Billie Emmerich and Vito A. Pulito at the Center's third annual Carnival, the organization's major annual benefit, on Saturday, March 1 at the Nassau Club.

Mrs. Emmerich will be honored for her outstanding service to the organization. Mr. Pulito, vice president of finance of GE Healthcare, will serve as honorary chair of the event.

Mrs. Emmerich, formerly president of the PSRC board, was instrumental in providing the leadership that has helped position PSRC for the anticipated growth it will face as the baby boomer generation reaches retirement age. A longtime resident of Princeton, she worked in the field of early childhood special education.

Tickets for Carnival are $150 per person. For more information, call Sharon Naeole at (609) 924-7108.

The **Central Jersey Dance Society** will host a Dance and Social on Sunday, March 9 from 7 p.m. to 11:30 p.m., at the Suzanne Patterson Center located at 45 Stockton Street. A beginner East Coast Swing lesson with Mike Davis will be available at 7:30 p.m., followed by open dancing including East Coast, West Coast Swing, Hustle, Latin, and Ballroom. Singles or couples at all levels are welcome. General admission is $11, $8 for students with identification. For additional information visit www.centraljerseydance.org or call (609) 577-7116.

Women in Development of Mercer County, (WID) will host a brown bag lunch for members and their guests at 11:30 a.m., on Thursday, February 28, at McCarter Theatre. Networking will begin at 11:30 a.m., followed by a panel discussion on the topic of "Hosting the Perfect Event". WID empowers and advances women as professional fundraisers through innovative programs and resources that develop skills and foster relationship building. The group offers events throughout the year on topics such as networking, mentoring, continuing education, and specialized training that prepare women to be leaders in their field. Women who are not WID members who are interested in attending the event should contact Administrator Andrea Kelliher at (609) 249-5820.

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The Shopping Center has long been regarded as Princeton's "downtown north," with many of the everyday retail uses that used to be present in downtown Princeton, including a hardware store, and general grocery store, just to name a few. It even has the Arts Council of Princeton. Well, temporarily, at least.

During the summer, the Shopping Center opens its courtyard for its summer concerts drawing large crowds filling the vast open space. But for outdoor weddings? That's more for the green in front of Nassau Inn, right? Perhaps not, say the organizers for the Shopping Center's latest promotional venture.

So if you're engaged, and haven't set a date, how about September 21, 2008?

"We are looking for a bride and groom who are looking to get married that day for real: this is for real," said Deb Hunter, the self-described "top banana" at Chicklet Books, who is working with Shopping Center management and other retailers to get the initiative off the ground.

It would be a small affair: just the bride, groom, an attendant for each, and about 20 guests. "What we'd like to do is promote what the center can do for your wedding needs — we're not just Ace Hardware and your pediatrician.

"There are a lot more things we can do for this town, and providing the ingredients for a wedding is one of them," she said.

Think about it: rings from Princeton Jewelers, invitations from Jordan's Cards & Gifts, spa treatment at Metropolis Spa & Salon, and catering by Camillo's Café. Not to mention the variety of stores offering potential gifts. Makes sense, right?

The center will supply a tent for outside, as well as an officiate for the ceremony, if the couple does not provide their own.

The Shopping Center would not throw the reception, though Camillo's has tentatively agreed to provide light fare for the event, "just to make it really nice," Ms. Hunter said.

Prospective couples will meet with Ms. Hunter and other Shopping Center representation. "We're looking for couples that are really excited about this, and really want to get married.

If we find three great couples and have to do three weddings that day, we'll do three! It's not exactly a bad worst-case scenario," Ms. Hunter said.

Interested couples are asked to call Shopping Center management at (609) 921-6234, or e-mail Ms. Hunter at deb@uniqueandnovel.com.

—Matthew Hersh

Hospital Gets $2MM Gift For Planned New Facility

The Princeton HealthCare System Foundation announced Monday it has received a $2 million commitment from Princeton Township residents Stephen Distler and his wife, Roxanne Kendall, toward the creation of University Medical Center at Princeton's planned state-of-the-art campus to be built on Route 1 in Plainsboro.

"Without a doubt, what's most exciting is the opportunity we have to build a regional medical center in our backyard and to build it from scratch," said Mr. Distler, who is the chairman of the board for the newly launched Bank of Princeton and the owner of "elements," a new Princeton restaurant opening later this year.

Mr. Distler also serves on the boards of Princeton HealthCare System and its Foundation, and is leading the fund-raising campaign for the new $400 million hospital scheduled to open in 2011.

"We are extremely grateful for Steve and Roxanne's commitment to the hospital and to the greater Princeton community," said Dick Scriber, the chairman of the board of the Princeton HealthCare System Foundation.

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said. "Once we get back in some bid proposals and we know how much this is going to cost, then we'll come back to Committee with a resolution and recommendation as to how the study can be funded," she added.

Township administrator James Pascale said bids are due by March 12. The result would be a single contract between the two municipalities, Mr. Pascale added.

—Matthew Hersh

1930s Princeton Discussed At Historical Society Event

The Historical Society of Princeton will convene a panel of experts at the Princeton Theological Seminary to discuss notorious New Jersey and national crimes of the 1930s. The lecture is planned in connection with the Historical Society's current exhibition, *Princeton in the 1930s*, on display at Bainbridge House through July, 2008.

In Mercer County, the crime news of the decade was the kidnapping of the Lindbergh baby. Throughout New Jersey and the United States, crime waves surged during the 1930s, including such notorious factions as John Dillinger, Bonnie and Clyde and Machine Gun Kelly. During this period, the FBI's position as the nation's premier law enforcement agency solidified.

Panelists for the *Great Crime Wave of the 1930s* will include: Lloyd Gardner, Professor Emeritus of History, Rutgers University; Jon Blackwell, author of *Notorious New Jersey*; and John F. Fox, Jr., FBI historian.

Lloyd C. Gardner is the Charles and Mary Beard Professor of History at Rutgers University, where he has taught since 1963. Most recently, he is author of *The Case That Never Dies: The Lindbergh Kidnapping* (Rutgers University Press, 2004). Among the awards he has received are two Fulbright Professorships and a Guggenheim Fellowship.

Jon Blackwell is a journalist who has often written about New Jersey. He was an editor at the Asbury Park Press and a reporter at the Trentonian and is now a copy editor at the New York Post. Mr. Blackwell also contributed to *The Encyclopedia of New Jersey*. *Notorious New Jersey* (Rivergate Books, 2007) is his first book.

John Fox has been the FBI Historian since 2003. He has recently had articles published in the Law Enforcement Executive Forum, Studies in Intelligence, and the Journal of Government Information.

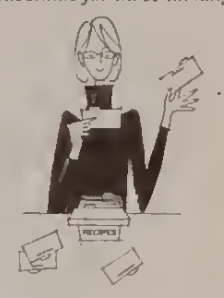
The panel will be held on Thursday, February 28, at 7 p.m. at the Princeton Theological Seminary, Cooper Conference Room in the Erdman Center at 20 Library Place, Princeton. Suggested admission is $5 for HSP members and $8 for non-members. To RSVP, call Jeanette Cafaro at (609) 921-6748. This program is made possible in part by the Mercer County Cultural and Heritage Commission through funding from the Mercer County Board of Chosen Freeholders, and the New Jersey Historical Commission, a division of the Department of State.

Local Fare
from Princeton's kitchens

Jim's Tempeh Patties

Adapted from Vegetarian Times magazine by the Central Jersey Vegetarian Group www.cjvg.org

Tempeh is a fermented soy product that is sold in a cake or patty form. It has a nutty flavor and is a popular ingredient in Asian cooking. Because it is packed with protein, tempeh is also popular in vegetarian cooking and a good meat substitute for those looking to lower their consumption of beef.



8 ounces tempeh (any flavor)
2 large portobello mushrooms
3 tablespoons vegetable oil
1 teaspoon ground fennel seed
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1 teaspoon dried marjoram
1 teaspoon dried thyme
1/2 teaspoon dried sage
2 tablespoons low-sodium soy sauce
1/4 cup water

Steam tempeh for 10 minutes. Combine tempeh and mushrooms in a food processor and process until well mixed. Warm 2 tablespoons of the oil in a skillet over medium heat. Add seasonings, soy sauce, tempeh mixture, and water. Simmer for 10 minutes, and then remove from heat to cool. Shape cooled mixture into patties and chill for 1 hour or overnight. To cook patties, heat the remaining tablespoon of oil in a skillet over medium heat. Cook patties 3 to 4 minutes on each side or until well browned. Serve on a bun or bread topped with lettuce and tomato or grilled vegetables.

More to come... Watch this space weekly for Princeton's favorite recipes... *Provided by Robin Broomer, Town Topics*

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Rescue Report

The Princeton First Aid & Rescue Squad responded to 60 calls for service last week.

On Tuesday, February 12, the Squad responded for a man who passed out and was unresponsive. When rescuers arrived, they moved him to the floor to treat him and he suffered a brief seizure. After a few minutes of treatment, he regained consciousness and wanted to refuse treatment. The crew was successful in convincing the patient that further medical treatment was prudent, and transported him to University Medical Center at Princeton (UMCP).

Shortly afterwards, the Squad responded for a motor vehicle collision involving a SUV and a car. The SUV came to rest partially inside the car's passenger side door. Fortunately, there was no passenger in the seat, but the driver did suffer shoulder, back, and side injuries. He was extricated by the Squad's technical rescue team and transported to Capital Health Systems' Fuld Campus.

On Wednesday evening, February 13, the Squad responded for an elderly man who was struck by a reportedly slow-moving vehicle while crossing the street. The patient complained of head pain and suffered an abrasion to the crown of his head. The crew bandaged the injury, but despite their recommendation, the patient refused transport to the hospital.

A short time later, the Squad responded for an elderly female who was struck by a slow-moving vehicle in a crosswalk. The patient, who was knocked to the ground in the impact, reported no complaints of pain or injury and refused medical attention.

In total, the Squad was dispatched for 16 calls on Wednesday.

The Princeton First Aid & Rescue Squad is a non-profit organization. For more information on donation or volunteering opportunities, call 924-3338 or visit www.pfars.org.

Firewire

The all-volunteer Princeton Fire Department responded to a variety of calls over the past two weeks, including calls for false or malfunctioning smoke and carbon monoxide detectors.

Volunteers were sent to investigate a call for a carbon monoxide detector that was triggered at a Rosedale Road residence Tuesday, February 5. The carbon monoxide detector showed a level of 15 parts per million of carbon monoxide. The homeowner was advised to contact the oil company to have the furnace serviced.

The next day, Wednesday, February 6, crews were sent to check out a smoke detector that was set off in a patient's room at the University Medical Center of Princeton. They found that steam from a nebulizer used as part of the patient's treatment had created a fog or haze that set off the mechanism.

The crews were sent to a Prospect Avenue residence on Thursday, February 7, to check out a carbon monoxide detector that had gone off in a room over the garage. Carbon monoxide detectors picked up a reading of 29 parts per million that may have been created by a car idling in the garage earlier in the day. Crews ventilated the room.

On Wednesday, February 13, volunteers were sent to investigate an oven fire at a Prospect Avenue residence after the resident reported smoke and fire in the oven. She had left a plastic container in the oven broiler, and later turned on the broiler to cook dinner. A short time later, she heard a popping noise, and when she checked the broiler, she saw smoke and flames, the plastic container having ignited. The fire was out by the time the crews arrived, so they ventilated the apartment to get rid of the smoke.

Also on February 13, crews responded to investigate an odor of smoke at Robertson Hall on the Princeton University campus. They found water had leaked from a pipe and entered an electrical outlet, causing a short circuit. The circuit was then turned off for repairs.

On Sunday, February 17, volunteers were sent to a Great Road residence for an odor of smoke. They found a fire burning underneath the fireplace. After containing the fire to the joists between the first floor and the basement, they checked to see if the fire had spread inside the walls surrounding the fireplace, but found nothing.

The Princeton Fire Department is always seeking more members. If interested, please call (609) 731-1313 or (609) 540-9343.

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yet, as a result of diminished funds. Board members also concurred that the schools are in a much better place than they were a decade ago, when programs were lost as personnel left the district, several Superintendents came and went in quick succession, and things were, as Mr. Spear put it, "going underwater."

A tentative budget will be adopted at the next board meeting, which was recently rescheduled from February 26 to March 4. Budget hearings are scheduled for March 20.

—Ellen Gilbert

Hun School Cast and Crew Work with Anchor House

The Janus Players and the Hun School of Princeton will present the musical, *Runaways*, by Elizabeth Swardos, for two weekends in late February. Runaways was written in 1978, based on interviews and auditions conducted by the author that year. Theater director Aaron Bogad, has, with the approval and collaboration of the playwright, adapted the script to resemble more contemporary teenage struggles in some scenes.

To learn more about at-risk teenagers and the challenges they face, the cast and crew worked with Trenton-based Anchor House, a multi-service agency for runaway, homeless, abused, and at-risk youth and their families. Nicole Deptula, an Anchor House representative, visited the Hun School and spoke with students. "They don't know where to go for help, they feel trapped, and they end up becoming a victim of society," she said, referring to the subjects of the play. Mr. Bogad has encouraged his students to use the insights provided by Anchor House to identify with the situations their characters face.

The Janus Players have offered tickets to Anchor House youth for one of the five upcoming shows. In addition, cast and band member Kevin Clifford will play music in the lobby of Huns' Saks Auditorium before each show, accepting donations on behalf of the Janus Players for Anchor House.

The cast will offer a question and answer session with audience members following their Saturday evening performance. Show times are Friday, February 22, 8 p.m., with a social hour following the show; Saturday, February 23, 8 p.m., with a Q&A session following the show; Sunday, February 24, 2 p.m.; Friday, February 29, 8 p.m.; Saturday, March 1, 8 p.m.; Sunday, March 2, 2 p.m. Tickets are available at the door or at boxoffice@hunschool.org.

Cell Phone Impact on Web Subject of Campus Talk

Technology columnist Walt Mossberg, a leading observer of high-tech gadgets and their makers, will speak about the role of cell phones in shaping the next generation of the Internet at 4:30 p.m. Thursday, February 21, in McCosh 10 on the Princeton University campus.

Mr. Mossberg, who has written the "Personal Technology" column for The Wall Street Journal since 1991, is regarded as an influential voice in the technology field through his reviews, analysis of trends and consumer advice. Wired magazine wrote in 2004 that "few reviewers have held so much power to shape an industry's successes and failures." In addition to his writing, Mr. Mossberg co-hosts a major annual conference, "D: All Things Digital," which features talks by industry leaders such as Bill Gates of Microsoft Corp. and Steve Jobs of Apple Inc.

In his Princeton talk, titled "The Next Stage of the Net and the Future of the Cell Phone," Mossberg will discuss the potential for cell phones to function as important wireless computing devices and the power of large wireless carriers in determining how and whether that potential is realized.

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Calendar

Wednesday, February 20

4:30 p.m.: Readings by poet Natasha Trethewey and fiction writer/essayist George Saunders; Stewart Theater, 185 Nassau Street. Free.

5:30 p.m.: Talk, "The Soprano State," about corruption in New Jersey politics, by investigative reporters Robert Ingle and Sandy McClure; Barnes & Noble, MarketFair, Route 1.

Thursday, February 21

7:30 p.m.: Pennington School Chorus and Paul Winter Consort, *Missa Gaia*; Patriots Theater at the War Memorial, Trenton.

7:30 p.m.: Talk by Sandy Riley of Lancaster County on "Amish Traditions"; Princeton Public Library.

8 p.m.: Ariel Dixon; Small World Coffee, 14 Witherspoon Street.

8 p.m.: Brentano String Quartet; Richardson Auditorium.

Friday, February 22

8 p.m.: Jazz concert with Terence Blanchard, James Moody, Benny Green, Nnenna Freelon; McCarter Theatre.

8 p.m.: Dance Improv, Live; All Saints' Church.

8 p.m.: *My Favorite Year*; Kelsey Theatre, Mercer County Community College. Also Saturday at 8 p.m., Sunday at 2 p.m.

8 p.m.: *Johnny Guitar, the Musical*; Off-Broadstreet Theatre, Hopewell. Also Saturday at 8 p.m., Sunday at 2:30 p.m.

8 p.m.: Princeton University Program in Theater & Dance Spring Dance Festival; Berlind Theatre. Also Saturday at 2 and 8 p.m., Sunday at 1 p.m.

8 and 10:30 p.m.: Richie Byrne and Bob Phillips; Catch A Rising Star Comedy Club, Hyatt Regency. Also Saturday at 8 and 10:30 p.m.

Saturday, February 23

1 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.: Tours celebrating George Washington's 276th birthday; Rockingham State Historic Site, Route 603, Kingston. For information and reservations, call (609) 683-7132.

2 and 4 p.m.: *Max and Ruby*; Kelsey Theatre, Mercer County Community College.

6:30 p.m.: Dick Braytenbah Trio with Tony Mennella; Hopewell Valley Bistro, Hopewell.

8 p.m.: Gabriela Montero; Mount Burke Theater, Peddie School, Hightstown.

8:30 p.m.: Emmett Lindsay Band; Small World Coffee, 14 Witherspoon Street.

Sunday, February 24

3 p.m.: Steinway Society musicale with pianist Joanna Chao; Recital Hall, Jacobs Music, Lawrenceville.

3 p.m.: Princeton University Department of Music Student Recital with Sonya Hsieh '08, piano; Taplin Auditorium. Free.

3 p.m.: Book discussion with Jane Bernstein, author of *Rachel in the World*; Princeton Public Library.

4 p.m.: Eastern Wind Symphony's Winter Concert; The College of New Jersey Concert Hall, Ewing.

Monday, February 25

7 p.m.: African American Interest Book Group; Barnes & Noble, MarketFair, Route 1.

7:30 p.m.: Second Chance Cinema screening of *Away from Her*; Kresge Auditorium, Princeton University.

Tuesday, February 26

7:30 p.m.: Princeton Reads book discussion of Chinua Achebe's *Things Fall Apart* with poet Paul Muldoon and the People's Verse Speaking Choir; Princeton Public Library.

8 p.m.: Screening of From *Heart to Heart: Beethoven's Plea for Peace*, a performance of *Missa Solemnis*; Taplin Auditorium. Free.

Wednesday, February 27

4:30 p.m.: Readings by poets and non-fiction writers Mary Karr and Honor Moore; Stewart Theater, 185 Nassau Street. Free.

7:30 p.m.: Princeton Environmental Commission; Room A, Township Municipal Complex.

7:30 p.m.: U.S. 1 Poets invite readings by Chris Cunningham and Jean Hollander; Princeton Public Library.

Thursday, February 28

7 p.m.: Princeton Pro Musica annual meeting (public invited); Township Municipal Complex.

7:30 p.m.: Book Discussion/signing with Anne Lamott, author of *Grace (Eventually)*; Barnes & Noble, MarketFair, Route 1.

8 p.m.: Princeton University Department of Music Student Recital with John Travis '08, voice; Taplin Auditorium. Free.

8 p.m.: Mary Blacklock; Small World Coffee, 14 Witherspoon Street.

Friday, February 29

8 p.m.: New Jersey Symphony Orchestra; Patriots Theater at the War Memorial, Trenton.

8 p.m.: Princeton University Department of Music Student Recital with Kieran Ledwidge '08, violin; Taplin Auditorium. Free.

8 p.m.: *Thoroughly Modern Millie*; Kelsey Theatre, Mercer County Community College. Also Saturday at 8 p.m., Sunday at 2 p.m.

8 p.m.: Jazz Friday Series with David "Fathead" Newman Quartet; Mount-Burke Theater, Peddie School, Hightstown.

8 p.m.: *Johnny Guitar, the Musical*; Off-Broadstreet Theatre, Hopewell. Also Saturday at 8 p.m., Sunday at 2:30 p.m.

Saturday, March 1

8:15 a.m. to noon: Education Symposium on "Life After High School" for learning disabled and special needs children, sponsored by Special Education PTO of Princeton Regional Schools; John Witherspoon Middle School.

7 p.m.: Dinner theater presentation of *Murder on the Campaign Trail*; Mountain View Golf Club, Ewing.

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Wednesday, Feb 20 – Wednesday, Feb 27

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Wednesday, February 20:

9:15 a.m.	Aerobics; SPB.
10:30 a.m.	Let's Talk; RC.
11:45 a.m.	Memoir Writing; SC.
1:00 p.m.	Blood Pressure; SC.
1:00 p.m.	Memory Improvement; SPB.
1:30 p.m.	Let's Talk English; SC
1:30 p.m.	Art with Bob; SPB.
3:00 p.m.	Let's Talk Too; SC.

Thursday, February 21:

10:00 a.m.	Bridge Coaching; SPB.
10:30 a.m.	Yoga; SPB.
1:00 p.m.	Art with Hannah; SPB.
1:00 p.m.	Bridge, sanctioned; SPB.

Friday, February 22:

9:00 a.m.	Tax Help; SPB.
9:00 a.m.	Let's Talk English Too; RC.
9:15 a.m.	Aerobics; SPB.
10:00 a.m.	Computer Basics; SPB.
10:45 a.m.	Ping-Pong; SPB.
11:00 a.m.	Chair Exercise; SC.
1:00 p.m.	Brown Bag: "In Our Own Voice"; SPB.

Monday, February 25:

9:15 a.m.	Aerobics; SPB.
10:30 a.m.	Group Drumming; SPB.
10:30 a.m.	Beginning English; HBH.
12:30 p.m.	American Lit, ESL;SPB.
1:30 p.m.	Chair Exercise; SC.
1:30 p.m.	Wonder of Wordplay; SPB.
2:30 p.m.	Yoga; HBH.

Tuesday, February 26:

11:00 a.m.	Strength Training; SPB.
1:00 p.m.	Bridge; SPB.
1:00 p.m.	Computer Lab; SPB.
1:00 p.m.	Literature; SC.

Wednesday, February 27:

9:15 a.m.	Aerobics; SPB.
10:30 a.m.	Let's Talk; RC.
11:45 a.m.	Memoir Writing; SC.
1:00 p.m.	Memory Improvement; SPB.
1:30 p.m.	Let's Talk English; SC.
1:30 p.m.	Art with Bob; SPB.
3:00 p.m.	Let's Talk Too; SC.

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Borough Council

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and that's just because of the way things have been going on for the past dozen years or so in the Borough," Mr. Bruschi said.

The readjustment is planned within the municipal budget, Mr. Bruschi said, and recommends an average 3.25 percent salary increase over a three-year period, beginning in 2008 and ending in 2010. There would be no action taken again for another three years, if the measure is approved.

Mr. Bruschi used his own salary, currently $136,371, and its anticipated 2010 rate, $150,500, as an example of the rate of increase. Mr. Bruschi, who did not receive a pay raise last year, has been employed by the municipality since 1999. "We try to revamp this every three years to give us a workable plan," he said.

Councilman Roger Martindell said that he did not disagree "with the principles" of the increase, but he warned that increases in salaries might not be wise in times of financial uncertainty. Mr. Martindell offered a similar concern last month when Council weighed salary hikes while working with a new contract with the police union.

In other news, Arts Council of Princeton Executive Director Jeff Nathanson, in his annual report to Borough Council, appeared optimistic that the organization's Paul Robeson Center for the Arts on Witherspoon Street could be open in time for Communiversity in the spring.

"We're crossing our fingers, and we'll keep you posted," he said.

Mr. Nathanson also announced that the Arts Council had received a legacy grant from the J. Seward Johnson Senior Charitable trust for $250,000. The grant would serve as the lead gift for the establishment of an endowment fund to support the Arts Council's programming.

This particular grant, Mr. Nathanson added, would serve to fund programming specifically for what is historically known as the Witherspoon-Jackson neighborhood. "We're quite pleased about that," Mr. Nathanson said.

The Arts Council has been operating out of its conTEMPORARY Arts Center at the Princeton Shopping Center since 2005.

See page 6 for more information on the endowment grant.

—Matthew Hersh

5 Births Reported At Princeton Hospital

The Princeton HealthCare System has reported 5 births the week of February 8, 2008.

Daughters were born to Pam R and Joe Walker, Princeton Junction, February 8; Sasha and Dmitry Weiss, Princeton Junction, February 9; and Katherine and Bryan Paul, Princeton, February 11.

Sons were born to Amber and Michael Neuroth, Princeton February 11; and Kristen and Michael Seibold, Princeton, February 13.

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Candidate for Township Committee Wants Transparency, Active Citizenry

To the Editor:

I write to you today to announce my candidacy for Township Committee for 2008. I have been urged to do so by a very large number of my fellow citizens, who have expressed a deep desire for a new vision for our community.

Through my prior service on Township Committee from 2002-2004, as a member of the 1995 Consolidation Commission, and recently as a member of the Environmental Commission and the Floodwater Management Committee, i learned how municipai government should work and what we need to do to make Princeton a cutting-edge, proactive, 21st-century, model community.

Let me outline very briefly some of the areas that I believe merit immediate attention.

Governance: Township Committee's workings should be more transparent. There should be more meaningful dialog with constituents on all issues because the general public has come to feel that they are not being heard. Elected public positions should carry term limits or involve rotations. The system for appointing members to boards and commissions should be overhauled to bring greater visibility to the process and its results. All boards and committees should have adequate staff and budgets for their work. We are blessed with capable and willing staff members in Township Hall but some commissions have virtually no support.

Finance: Rather than giving across-the-board increases to each department, the Township must put in place zero-based budgeting, like any well-run business. Township Committee must draw up an annual mission and goals statement and require each department to plan and budget specifically for its role in supporting the overarching plan. Having co-founded and run a publishing company that grew to have nearly 400 employees here and in Denver, I have first-hand knowledge of operational management and cost-control.

We need smarter fiscal government with greater accountability. It should be possible to serve all of our citizens weli while streamlining the planning and budgeting processes in accordance with cutting-edge practices.

Energy and the Environment; It is time for Princeton to be a leader. The implications of global warming are well understood and Princeton's electorate is engaged and intelligent. Our environmental policies should reflect that. We should belong to the Sierra Club's Cool Cities program and the US Conference of Mayors Climate Change Agreement. We should apply LEED-certified energy-saving (and money-saving) practices to public buildings as well as to private development projects, and urge compliance by citizens wherever practicable.

We must redouble our protection of our remaining woods and open lands and their ecosystems, knowing fuil well that we need their habitats, canopies, and flood-preventing root systems. As a trustee of the Woods Hole Research Center, an organization focusing on global climate change research and policy, I know that deforestation is our planet's worst problem.

Cooperation: We must end our disputatious relationship with the Borough. Let's settle the squabbles and move on. We have major common areas of concern and should create joint task forces in such vital areas as transportation, recreational land use, emergency management, environmental protection, truck traffic and more. The joint agencies now in place should work more collaboratively.

Senior Housing: We need to appoint an expert task force to research the many issues associated with providing first-class senior housing and to provide an overview of what innovations other communities have created.

Princeton is a very special place. But people do not see their local government in the same pantheon. This need not be. It is time to reignite the idea that municipal government can be an exciting and vital force for good. Our very best citizens should be jockeying with one another for board and committee seats. We should be inordinately proud of our community.

CASEY LAMBERT
North Road

Solution to Unwanted Ad Circulars? Law Requiring Permission to Deliver

To the Editor:

Most mornings as I go out to pick up my morning paper I am struck by something else on my driveway generaliy wrapped in colored plastic. It is of course a bundle of newspaper ads from either one of the local papers or someone else. A walk around my neighborhood or a drive along many Township streets shows these same plastic wrapped missives, sometimes two or three together unpicked up, littering other driveways.

I am all for free speech but this is not speech, it is advertising. Since i would not want to stop legitimate companies from driveway paper deliveries I would like to suggest a town ordinance which requires all delivery companies to get the permission of a resident to deliver papers to their driveway. This is generally known as "opt-in" and works quite well on the internet. Anyone who wants to receive these ads would then be able to continue to do so.

We already have more paper than we need for recycling so this would relieve that problem somewhat and improve the aesthetics of our driveways.

ROBERT J. LEVINE
Linwood Circle

Local Democratic Party Organizers Gear Up for Endorsement, Recruitment

To the Editor:

On behalf of the Princeton Community Democratic Organization Executive Board, we invite all Princeton Democrats to join the PCDO and participate In local and national party politics. The PCDO is committed to promoting democratic competition within our party. The PCDO will hold two endorsement votes in March, and we would like to make sure information about our candidate endorsement process is available to everyone.

On Saturday, March 1 at 3:30 p.m. at the Suzanne Patterson Center, we'll vote for County Freeholder at a special meeting that will take place immediately before our headquarters fund-raiser, which is from 4 to 6 p.m. This meeting is set so that it precedes the Mercer County Convention on March 15. In order to participate in this endorsement vote, your 2008 membership application or renewal and fee must be postmarked no later than Saturday, February 16th.

On Sunday, March 30 at 7:30 p.m. at the Suzanne Patterson Center, we'll hold an endorsement vote for local municipal offices. In order to participate in this endorsement vote, your 2008 membership application or renewal and fee must be postmarked no later than Monday, March 17th. if you wish to become a local candidate, official candidate petitions are available at the municipal clerk's offices at Borough and Township hails. The clerk will also supply information about the requirements for signatures and the number of signatures required (usually about 30).

To be considered for endorsement by the PCDO, potential candidates should contact the President of the PCDO by two weeks before the endorsement vote at the latest. However, if there is going to be a contest, it is recommended that candidates start their "campaigns" for Endorsement earlier. It behooves candidates at all levels to ensure that their supporters renew their PCDO membership or join the PCDO. We welcome this as membership building.

Candidates should also contact their respective Democratic Municipal Party Chairs. The municipal party committees are official arms of the Democratic Party, whereby the PCDO is a party "club". The municipal party committee chairs are, in Princeton Township, Dan Preston, dan@princetondems.org, (609) 252-0011, and, in Princeton Borough, Andrew Koontz, andykoontz@aol.com, (609) 252-0264.

2008 is an exciting year for members of the PCDO as we work toward a national victory for Democrats in November - whichever outstanding candidate prevails. In the past, the PCDO has hosted a campaign headquarters for volunteers, and we anticipate doing so again for the upcoming election.

The PCDO has regular monthly meetings featuring a variety of speakers on local and national issues, as well as candidate forums. We have a politics book club and several ad hoc committees that focus on issues, including global warming, health care and local issues. Through our e-mail list, we notify members of upcoming political events and volunteer opportunities.

This year we have decided to offer a $5 minimum rate for people who are unable or unwilling to pay the suggested $15 annual dues. Any registered Democrat is eligible to become a member and those registered in Princeton Borough or Township are eligible to become voting members. As much as we welcome and encourage participation, membership carries no obligations as many people join just to be kept in the loop on Democratic events and news.

For more information, including our bylaws and a membership form, please visit our Web site at www.princetondems.org, or contact membership chair Debra Lambo at deblam52@aol.com or at (609) 252-1543.

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University Art Museum Gala Organizers Give Thanks for a 'Carnevale to Remember'

To the Editor:

As Co-Chairs of this year's Gala benefiting Princeton University Art Museum's education and outreach initiatives, we are delighted to acknowledge the many individuals and businesses that came together on February 9 to celebrate the arts! "*Carnevale!* Masterpieces & Masquerade" was a festive evening enjoyed by the 400 supporters who joined us at the museum for a cocktail reception preceding the Gala's sold-out dinner at Prospect House.

We are grateful to all of our corporate sponsors including Bloomberg; Goldman, Sachs & Co.; Alpharma; MetLife; Munich Re America; Novo Nordisk; PNC Wealth Management; Reed Smith LLP; Tyco International; Automatic Data Processing; Deutsche Bank Private Wealth Management; Hamilton Jewelers; Princeton Orthopaedic Associates; DeraCom Conference Call Services; and the Harold Kramer Foundation. Individual leadership donors include: Alice St. Claire-Long and David Long; Dr. and Mrs. Howard S. Mele; Allen Adler; Melanie and John Clarke; Mary P. Keating; and Bill and Judith Scheide.

In addition, we want to thank the many local businesses that supported the Gala by placing ads in our new commemorative keepsake journal. Their commitment to the museum and its programs makes a real difference to this community.

Many other organizations contributed to the evening's success: Prospect House, Janet Makrancy's Florals, Main Street Fine Catering, Princeton Corkscrew Wine Shop, Printing & Publications Corp., Terra Momo Restaurant Group, Hamilton Jewelers, Mission Dance Entertainment, the University Jazztet and Anthony D. J. Branker, and the staff of the Princeton University Art Museum.

This year marks the 125th anniversary of the museum and the opening of the highly anticipated "An Educated Eye" exhibit featuring many of the museum's "masterpieces" (opens February 23). Gala patrons and museum visitors throughout the weekend were treated to a special feature, "Mini Masters", an exhibit of original artwork by students (K-12) who recently participated in museum programs. We want to thank and congratulate those 80 students who proudly displayed their works. Schools represented include Stuart Country Day School (Princeton) and the Mott and Rivera schools in Trenton. Other works were created by participants in the museum's Art for Families program and the exciting new collaboration with the Princeton Symphony Orchestra.

None of this could have been possible without the considerable time and talents contributed by our volunteers who worked tirelessly over many months to ensure that our Gala patrons would enjoy the festivities...and that our museum audience would continue to benefit from the excellent education and outreach programs!

LIZ MURRAY
ALICE ST. CLAIRE-LONG
Co-chairs, Princeton University Art Museum Gala

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Put Your Yard Leaves to the Test To Avoid a Four-Month-Long Mess

To the Editor:

As tradition would have it — this past fall and well into the winter — Princeton's streets once again bore the constricting clutter of leaves piled high and wide. This four-month-long ordeal makes little sense from safety, aesthetic, fiscal or ecological points of view, nor does it always save time and labor, as homeowners or their landscape crew surrogates find themselves hauling leaves great distances from the backyard up to the curb.

Fortunately, there are ways to use leaves in the yard that not only reduce the community's hazard and burden, but also create less work for homeowners. This past week, Princeton Township residents received at their doorsteps a light green brochure entitled Princeton's Guide to Leaf Management. I am writing to encourage all residents to read and keep the brochure as a reference. Borough residents can pick up a copy at Borough Hall or easily access it at www.princetonboro.org.

The brochure, developed by the Princeton Environmental Commission, gives seven reasons why raking leaves to the curb is harmful. Safety concerns, increased flooding, water pollution, increased consumption of fossil fuels, compromised tree health, increased municipal expense, a four-month-long mess—are all consequences of this tradition.

The brochure then describes five ways to use leaves in the yard. Leaves provide a natural fertilizer, help plants endure drought, and can be used to discourage weeds. The information is also useful for other types of yard waste generated in spring and summer. The Internet offers many additional resources, for instance at the Web site for the radio show, *You Bet Your Garden*.

Many environmental problems are the cumulative result of individual action, and this is one of them. The brochure shows a way to work with the eastern forest we inhabit, rather than to continue to fight against it.

STEPHEN HILTNER
Member, Princeton Environmental Commission
Harrison Street

Property Taxes, Not a Lack of Housing, Are What Force Seniors Out of Town

To the Editor:

We are constantly besieged with pleas for more "senior housing" in Princeton to meet a huge need that is supposedly present in our community.

Let's look at the facts. Every developer who wants to build "senior housing" always starts by mounting an extensive and costly effort to get zoning changed, from requiring that purchasers be 62 or over, to requiring that only one resident in the household be 55 or over.

This would indicate conclusively that adequate housing stock exists for those that are in fact senior citizens, at age 62 and over. Since the stock of housing for true senior citizens is adequate, the developers have to use the ruse that zoning needs to be changed to accommodate households that have one resident aged 55.

There simply aren't enough true "senior citizens" to make their developments profitable, and they must perpetuate the myth that we need more "senior housing" by lowering the age requirement to the mythical level of 55. The developers wrap themselves in the cloak of providers of "senior housing" with the hope that most people aren't paying attention.

Unfortunately, they have duped a lot of well meaning people into supporting their need to sell to fictitious senior citizens in order to maximize the profit potential of their developments.

This would seem to indicate conclusively that seniors have adequate housing stock available, but are being forced out of the community by the level of property taxes.

WILLIAM STEPHENSON
Governors Lane

Eden Family of Services Thanks All Who Contributed to Its Annual Gala

To the Editor:

On January 19 The Eden Family of Services celebrated its 20th annual Eden Dreams gala, *Dreams of La Masquerade*, at the Hyatt Regency Princeton. I would like to thank our very generous community for its continued support in making Eden Dreams our most successful fund-raiser. To date, this event has raised more than $2.6 million for children and adults with autism.

I want to thank our 23 individual and corporate sponsors as well as our dedicated Eden Dreams steering committee, led by co-chairs Stacy Mattia and Janet Quartarone. We must also recognize the outstanding Hyatt Regency Princeton staff for their excellent service; the staff of Jennifer Angelo Design, who provided the beautiful décor; Howard Design Group and Ancraft Press for donating the design and printing of all printed materials; and everyone else who helped to bring our event to life. Also, special thanks go to the many individuals and businesses that generously donated silent auction prizes.

Finally, please know how much we appreciate the individual donations of so many of our friends and neighbors who attended and supported *Dreams of La Masquerade*. Their generosity is making it possible for Eden to realize its dream, of individuals with autism learning, growing, working and leading productive lives in their communities.

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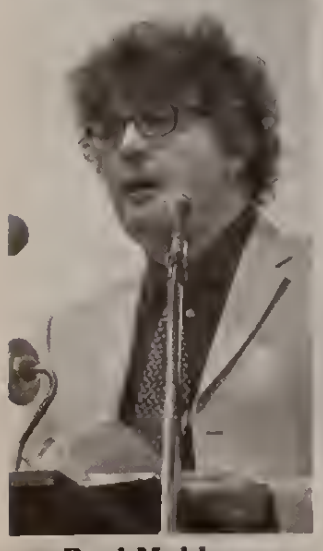
Books

Special Event Kicks Off Princeton Reads; "Things Fall Apart" Is Assigned Book

Poet Paul Muldoon, the People's Verse Speaking Choir, and poet-educator John Anagbo will help celebrate the opening of Princeton Reads, a community-wide book discussion of Chinua Achebe's *Things Fall Apart*, on Tuesday, February 26, at 7:30 p.m. in the first floor Community Room of the Princeton Public Library.

For this third celebration of Princeton Reads, which is co-sponsored by Labyrinth Books, the Center for African-American Studies, and the Program in African Studies, both at Princeton University, the library selected Mr. Achebe's novel portraying the effects of British colonialism and Christianity



Paul Muldoon

in Nigeria near the turn of the 20th century.

The February 26 event will feature Mr. Muldoon reading the W.B. Yeats poem "The Second Coming," from which *Things Fall Apart* takes its title, and a performance by the verse choir, directed by Cecilia B. Hodges. Nigerian native John Anagbo, a poet and English Department supervisor at Montgomery High School, will share his observations about the book.

While encouraging everyone in Princeton to read the book during March, the library, its co-sponsors, and community partners will present a variety of programs designed to keep the

John Anagbo

community listening, watching, and discussing *Things Fall Apart*, culminating in a visit from the author on March 26, when Mr. Achebe will join in a discussion with Princeton University philosophy professor Kwame A. Appiah at 6 p.m. at Nassau Presbyterian Church.

"Our goal with Princeton Reads is to use this event to unite the community through this extraordinary work of literature," said librarian Kristin Pehnke, coordinator of Princeton Reads. "The library and our co-sponsors at Labyrinth Books and the Princeton University Center for African Studies have an assortment of programs in the works, from lectures to film screenings to poetry readings. There will also be several arts programs, which pay homage to the African oral tradition."

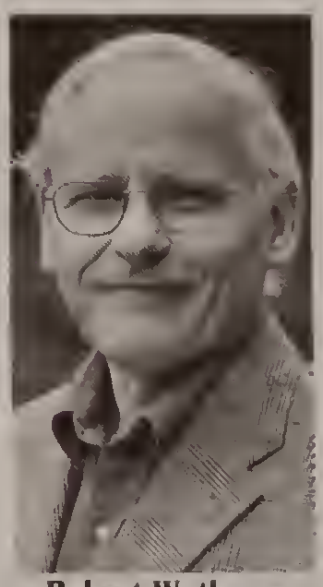
To facilitate the reading of *Things Fall Apart*, copies of the novel will be left in venues throughout the community. Local schools, teachers and librarians are encouraged to participate in Princeton Reads.

Ms. Pehnke said she hopes local book groups will choose *Things Fall Apart* as their March selection. "How wonderful would it be if there was this commonality throughout all of Princeton?"

Dorothea von Moltke of Labyrinth initiated contact with Mr. Achebe, who was awarded the Man Booker International Prize in June in honor of his literary career. He is widely regarded as the father of African literature.

"When I heard that Chinua Achebe would be in New York and in Philadelphia in March for celebrations of the 50th anniversary of *Things Fall Apart*, I approached him with high hopes and low expectations that he might be willing to make an in-between stop in Princeton," Ms. von Moltke said. "We are delighted and very much honored that he did, in fact, agree to come."

More than 10 million copies of "Things Fall Apart" have been sold and the book has been translated into 50 languages.



Robert Wuthnow

Westminster Benefit Dinner Features Robert Wuthnow

The Westminster Foundation at Princeton and the Presbyterian campus ministry at Princeton University, will present author and scholar Robert Wuthnow at its annual benefit dinner at Nassau Presbyterian Church on Sunday, February 24 at 6 p.m.

Arguably the most renowned sociologist of religion in the United States, and a leading commentator on religious life in America, Mr. Wuthnow, will speak on the theme of his newest book, *After the Baby Boomers: How Twenty- and Thirty-Somethings are Shoping the Future of American Religion*, and will sign copies following the program.

According to the New York Times, "Robert Wuthnow has published a tremendously valuable book that looks at young adulthood through the prism of religious practice."

Publishers Weekly called the book, "terrifically important," while Shambhala Sun magazine described it as, "A precise study that paints a detailed picture of the lives of young adults today."

Robert Wuthnow is the Gerhard R. Andlinger '52 Professor of Sociology and Director of the Center for the Study of Religion at Princeton University. He has puhlished widely in the sociology of religion, culture and civil society. His books include *American Mythos: Why Our Best Efforts to Be a Better Nation Fall Short*, *America and the Challenges of Religious Diversity*, and *Acts of Compassion: Caring for Others and Helping Ourselves*, for which he received a Pulitzer Prize nomination.

Tickets for "An Evening with Robert Wuthnow" are $50 per person, $25 for students. All proceeds will benefit the campus ministry. For reservations, please call the Nassau Presbyterian Church office at (609) 924-0103. Nassau Church Is located across from Palmer Square in downtown Princeton.

Wilson School Presents Lecture by Schaeffer

Best-selling author Frank Schaeffer will be giving a lecture Tuesday, February 26, at 4:30 p.m. in Bowl 016, Robertson Hall on the Princeton campus. The subject of the talk, which is presented by the Center for the Study of Religion at Princeton University, is the same as the title of his latest book, *Crazy for God: How I Grew Up As One of the Elect, Helped Found the Religious Right and Lived to Take All (or Almost All) of It Back*.

Mr. Schaeffer's three semi-biographical novels about growing up In a fundamentalist mission, *Portofino*, *Zermott*, and *Saving Grondma*, have been translated into nine languages. *Baby Jock*, a novel about the Marines, sacrifice, God, and the class division between who serves and who does not, was published in October of 2006.

Mr. Schaeffer has written for USA Today, the Washington Post, the San Francisco Chronicle, the Los Angeles Times, the Baltimore Sun, and many other publications on topics ranging from his critique of American right-wing fundamentalism to his experiences as a military parent and novelist. He is a regular contributor to the Huffington Post website. He has also been interviewed on numerous talk radio shows and has been a commentator on both NPR's *All Things Considered* and several times for the *News Hour with Jim Lehrer*.

His nonfiction includes *Keeping Faith-A Father-Son Story About Love and the United States Marine Corps* and *AWOL-The Unexcused Absence of America's Upper Classes From Military Service and How It Hurts Our Country*.

Founded in 1999, Center for the Study of Religion at Princeton University encourages greater intellectual exchange and interdisciplinary scholarly studies about religion among faculty and students in the humanities and social sciences. The Center aims to facilitate understanding of religion through an integrated program of support for Princeton faculty to pursue research and teaching on thematic projects, awards for Princeton graduate students to complete dissertation research, interdisciplinary seminars, undergraduate courses, public lectures, and opportunities for visiting scholars to affiliate with the Center. In 2006, the Center began an initiative on Cognition and Religion, sponsored by the John Tempieton Foundation. This initiative encompasses a series of lectures and symposia, an ongoing seminar, and a number of empirical projects.

Readings at Stewart

Poet Natasha Trethewey and Fiction Writer/Essayist George Saunders will read from their work at the Stewart Theater, 185 Nassau Street, in Princeton at 4:30 p.m. today, Wednesday, February 20. The program is presented by the Lewis Center for the Arts Program in Creative Writing. Ms. Trethewey will be Introduced by Tracy K. Smith, Mr. Saunders by Joyce Carol Oates.

At 4:30 p.m. on February 27, Poet/Nonfiction writer Mary Karr will read from her work and will be introduced by Susan Wheeler. Poet/Nonfiction writer Honor Moore will read from her work and will be introduced by Brenda Shaughnessy.

The readings are sponsored by Lewis Center for the Arts Program In Creative Writing Althea Ward Clark Reading Series.

Both events are free and open to the public. For more information visit www.princeton.edu/arts/arts_at_princeton/creative_writing.

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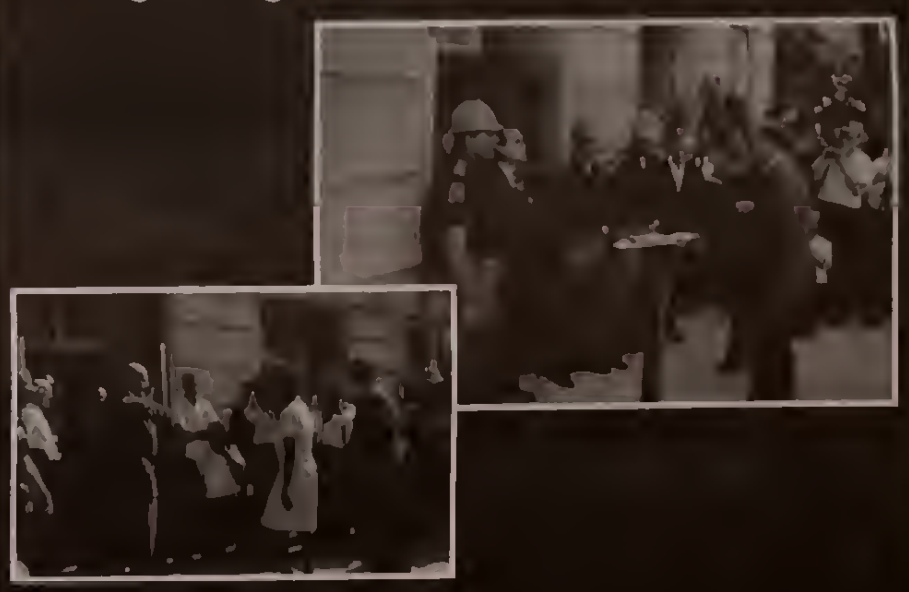

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Writer Jane Bernstein To Discuss New Book

Award-winning author Jane Bernstein will visit Princeton Public Library to discuss her most recent book, *Rochel in the World*, on Sunday, February 24 at 3 p.m.

Rochel in the World is a memoir that depicts the challenges of raising a child with special needs. The memoir begins in Rachel's fifth year and ends when she turns 22. *Loving Rochel*, Ms. Bernstein's first memoir, is considered by some to be a classic in its field.

A professor of English and creative writing at Carnegie Mellon University, Ms. Bernstein is the author of four other books. Her writing has appeared in many publications, including The New York Times Magazine, Ms., Creative Nonfiction and The Massachusetts Review. Ms. Bernstein is the recipient of the Virginia Faulkner Award for Excellence in Writing, and has been twice nominated for a Pushcart Prize.

Jane Bernstein

Her film work includes the screenplay for the Warner Brothers movie *Seven Minutes in Heoven*. She lives in Pittsburgh, Pa.

Ms. Bernstein's appearance is part of the library's Caroline Llewellyn Champlin Writers Talking Series, which has presented writers to library audiences for more than 25 years. Ellen Curry, Thulani Davis, Richard Ford, Walter Isaacson, Thomas Kenneally, Paul Krugman, John McPhee, Joyce Carol Oates, Kenzaburo Oe, Alicia Ostriker, Richard Preston, and Wendy Wasserstein are among the many authors who have read from their works, shared their thoughts on writing and answered questions from the audiences in this series, named in memory of the Princeton author and librarian.

Two Poets Reading At Trinity March 3

Newfoundland poet George Murray and Princeton poet James Richardson will read from their work at Trinity Church, Princeton, on Monday, March 3 at 7 p.m. in Pierce Hall, 33 Mercer Street. A wine and cheese reception will follow. This is the first in what Lauren B. Davis, Trinity's writer-in-residence, hopes will be a continuing series of public readings.

George Murray's books of poetry include *The Rush to Here* (2007), *The Hunter* (2003), and *The Cottage Builder's Letter* (2001). He has been widely anthologized and has published poems and fiction in journals and magazines in Canada, the United Kingdom, the United States, Australia, and Europe. He won the 2003 New York Festival's Radio and Television Award for Best Writing, and was nominated for a Pushcart Prize (2003). In 2006, he won a PIP Gertrude Stein Award in Innovative Poetry. His first play for children, *The Swon Chronicles*, was produced in Manhattan by Locomotion Dance Theatre in 2003. George Murray is also the editor of Bookninja.com.

George Murray

James Richardson's main collections are *Reservotions* (1977), *Second Guesses* (1984), *As If* (1992), *How Things Are* (2000), *Vectors: Aphorisms and Ten-Second Essays* (2001), and *Interglociol: New and Selected Poems and Aphorisms* (2004), which was a finalist for the National Book Critics Circle Award. He is the recipient of an Award in Literature from the American Academy of Arts and Letters; the Robert H. Winner, Cecil Hemley, and Emily Dickinson Awards of the Poetry Society of America. His poems have appeared in many anthologies as well as The New Yorker, Science News, Paris Review, and Best American Poetry 2001 and 2005. Mr.

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Richardson is Professor of English & Creative Writing and Acting Director of the Program in Creative Writing at Princeton University.

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Cowboys, Goddesses, Apples, and Wishes: Art Museum Announces Program for Families

CONCENTRATION: Kuan Su works on a clay project reflecting lessons learned in an earlier "Art for Families" gallery talk at the Princeton Art Museum.

I MADE IT MYSELF! Kyra Hall proudly displays the mask she created in a studio session of the Princeton University Art Museum's "Art for Families" program.

Following up on the success of its fall program, the Princeton Art Museum has planned a nine-session, Saturday morning program for children ages 5 to 9 — and their families — beginning with "Where Is the Princess Going?" on March 1, from 10 a.m. to noon.

Marge D'Amico, coordinator of "Art for Famtlies," encourages people to sign up early for the sessions, which are $5 each, or free for Princeton University Art Museum members. Each session includes a gallery talk by a museum docent, followed by a studio session with art teacher Hope Van Cleaf, where children make their own projects related to that day's theme. "Children learn by doing," noted Caroline Harris, Curator of Education and Academic Programs at the Museum. "The combination of seeing a work of art — and making something in response — weaves an indelible impression on a child... and can be transformative." Most of the fall classes were filled to capacity, with 15 children in each.

"It takes a village to put this on," said Ms. D'Amico, describing the preparation that goes into a season that will include, in addition to the March 1 program, "Make A Wish... Tell Kuan Yin," on March 8; "Very Important People. How Can you Tell?" on March 15; "Here Comes the Nigerian Bride," on March 29; and "How About THEM APPLES... and Beyond," on April 5. On April 12 the subject will be "A Fantastic Flower from Georgia's Garden," followed by "Bridge Over Untroubled Waters" on April 19. "Athena and Artemis: Power Goddesses" make their appearance on April 26, and the term concludes on May 3 with "Ride 'Em Cowboy!" Each session makes good use of the museum's art collection; a Monet bridge features in the April 19 program, and the museum's distinguished American gallery portraits will be put to good use in the ViP program on March 15.

"It's wonderful, it's fun, it's exciting, and the family experience is not something you find in most museums, where you usually drop the chtld off for a program," commented Ms. D'Amico. Tsu-Chung Su, a visiting schofar at the Woodrow Wilson School whose son attended the program in the fall, concurs: "Your Art for Families program is so enlightening that even an adult like me can benefit a lot from it," he recently wrote.

"Some families caine for virtually the entire season, but there were newcomers each week," said Ms. D'Amico of the fall program. "The group was a ratnbow of colors and ethnicities: parents and children speaking Gaelic, Chinese, Russian, Spanish, French, and even some Engfish."

"Art for Families" is among several educationaf options available for young people at the art museum. Ms. D'Amico reports that "hundreds of groups of children," from elementary school through school, have passed through the galleries with their teachers on tours that are booked months in advance. In addition to the tours and family program, which are both funded by the Museum Friends, a separate grant allows 40 third-graders from Trenton to visit the museum once a week for six weeks.

As part of their training, docents participating in the arts programs for children receive a copy of "Ten Lessons the Arts Teach," by art-educator Elliot Eisner. "The arts teach children that probfems can have more than one solution," suggested Mr. Eisner. "The arts make vivid the fact that neither words in their literaf form nor numbers exhaust what we can know. the limits of our language do not define the limits of our cognition."

Tickets for "Art for Families" are available through the University's Frist Campus Center Ticket Office, Monday to Friday, noon until 6 p.m., or in the Museum Shop the morning of each event. For more information call (609) 258-9220.

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LEONIDE MASSINE: Sketched by Leon Bakst, Leonide Massine is the subject of a 6 p.m. public lecture on Thursday, February 21, at the Zimmerli Art Museum by Dance Critic and Historian Lynn Garafola of the Department of Dance at Barnard College, Columbia University. Massine was creator and performer of some of Serge Diaghilev's most innovative ballets, including "Parade." Prof. Garafola's books include "Diaghilev's Ballets Russes" and "The Ballets Russes and Its World". Related exhibits at the Zimmerli are "Art for the Dance: Russian Costume and Stage Designs from the Riabov Collection" and "Russian Dance: Selections from the Donation of Herbert and Ruth Schimmel," both on view through July 31. The Zimmerli is located at 71 Hamilton Street on the College Avenue campus of Rutgers University.

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Bernstein Gallery Hosts Graphic Art by LaRiccia

The Bernstein Gallery at the Woodraw Wilsan Schaol an the Princeton University campus is presenting, "Looking at the Sequential Dialetic," several pages fram Michael LaRiccia's upcaming graphic navel, *The Death af Black Mane and the Feared Self*. The exhibition runs from February 25 thraugh April 4, with a receptian an February 29 from 6 to 8 p.m. ta which the public is invited. Gallery hours are 9 ta 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Mr. LaRiccia's graphic navel follows three characters who find themselves trapped in situatians fram which they desperately want to escape. These individuals wrestle with the reality of how much cantrol they truly have in their lives. Themes af masculinity and identity are explared thraugh a mosaic graphic language that can be both humaraus and samber. Original camic baak pages will be exhibited as well as tlie boak-sized pages showcasing the digital enhancements and lettering.

Accarding ta Mr. LaRiccia. his work utilizes the narrative "ta analyze and dissect life's challenges." Through sequential art (camic baak art) he is able to give the viewer "a front row seat to his abservatians, thoughts, and cancerns."

"Contributing ta sacial change is the reason I continue ta wark as an artist," he said. "It drives the cantent af my wark and gives me a sense of purpose."

A native of Massachusetts currently residing in Princeton, Mr. LaRiccia earned a Bachelors Degree in Fine Art at the University af Massachusetts in 2001, and a Masters Degree in Fine Art at Southern Illinois University Edwardsville, 2005. His cancentration far both degrees was printmaking where he studied the principals af the printing process and gained an appreciatian for mass praduction. "Printmaking was a good fit for me as an artist because I enjayed shifting between canceptual thinking and craft," he commented.

In his final year af graduate school, Mr. LaRiccia decided to create an ariginal graphic navel incorporating himself as the main character. In December 2004 he was awarded the Xeric grant, the only comic book self-publishing grant in America, ta print his first baak *Black Mane*. The Xeric Grant, he said, "gives yau canfidence, oppartunities, and street credibility in the indie comics scene. Peaple take natice when you get it. Without it I don't know if I could have made the jump into publishing the way I did." *Black Mane* was distributed natianally and helped established a faat hold for him in the Indie Camics scene resulting in numerous reviews, interviews, and callabaratians. While currently warking an his secand baak, he has been creating children's baak illustratians (*Harvey's Waads: The Rayal Adventures*), web-comics, anthalagy staries, and theater posters far the Steven Allen Theater. He currently warks for the Arts Cauncil of Princeton as the pragram and public relations manager. This semester he is alsa teaching a class titled, Cartaan Manster Jamboree.

Mare wark and information can be faund at www.michaellariccia.cam.

"PANELA": This image from Michael LaRiccia's graphic novel, "The Death of Black Mane and the Feared Self" can be seen at the Bernstein Gallery at the Woodrow Wilson School on the Princeton University campus in "Looking at the Sequential Dialetic," from February 25 through April 4, with a public reception on February 29 from 6 to 8 p.m. Gallery hours are 9 to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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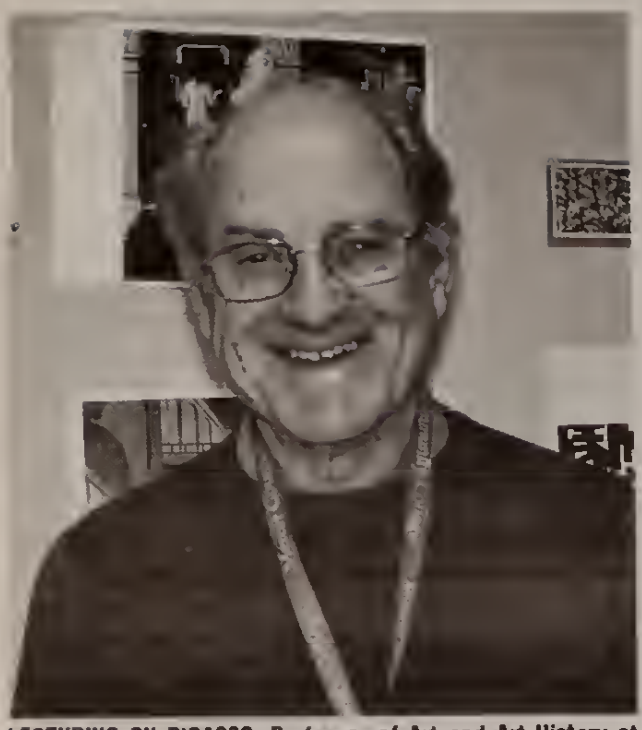

LECTURING ON PICASSO: Professor of Art and Art History at Mercer County Community College Mel Leipzig is presenting a lecture entitled: "Les Demoiselles d'Avignon and Picasso" on Tuesday, February 26 at 12 noon in the college's West Windsor campus in the Communications Building, CM107, 1200 Old Trenton Road.

Picasso's "Desmoiselles" Subject of Leipzig Talk

Mel Leipzig, professor of art and art history at Mercer County Community College, will present a lecture entitled: "Les Demoiselles d'Avignon and Picasso" on Tuesday, February 26 at 12 noon. The event is presented free to the public as part of Mercer's Distinguished Lecture Series and will be held on the college's West Windsor campus in the Communications Building, CM107, 1200 Old Trenton Road.

In a slide presentation, Mr. Leipzig will discuss works by Pablo Picasso, with a special focus on "Les Demoiselles d'Avignon" (1907). This painting revolutionized the art world and is considered by many to be the most significant work of the 20th century because of its pivotal role in the development of modern art and Cubism. The painting is part of the permanent collection of the Museum of Modern Art in New York City. This year marks its 100th anniversary.

Mr. Leipzig has participated in numerous one-man and group shows from the East Coast to Moscow. His paintings are often on display at the Gallery Henoch in New York City. His works are also included in the collections of the Whitney Museum of American Art, the New Jersey State Museum, the Morris Museum, the Noyes Museum, the Jane Voorhees Zimmerli Museum at Rutgers, the Jersey City Museum, and the Architectural Archives of the University of Pennsylvania.

In addition to receiving a Fulbright Grant to Paris and four grants for painting from the New Jersey Council on the Arts, he was the first recipient of the Distinguished Teacher Award at Mercer in 1980, and one of the last individual artists to receive a grant, in 1996, from the National Endowment for the Arts. He studied at Cooper Union, Yale University and Pratt Institute, where he earned his M.F.A.

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NEXT WEEK AT THE MUSEUM

Events

The Princeton University Art Museum's spring event season starts on February 29.

Gallery Talk
"Educating the Camera Eye"
Joel Smith, Curator of Photography
February 29, 12:30 p.m., and March 2, 3:00 p.m.

Art for Families
"Where IS the Princess Going?"
Anne Florey, museum docent
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Area Exhibits

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Artists' Gallery in Lambertville is presenting a members exhibit titled "Temptation" through March 2.

The Arts Council of Princeton will present the 2008 Faculty Exhibition at its conTEMPORARY Gallery in the Princeton Shopping Center through March 1. On Thursday, February 28, from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. a Digital Marketing workshop for visual artists will be presented by Ron Eckert, the marketing, advertising, and sales specialist from Taylor Photo in Princeton. Admission for the event is $15 / $10 for members. To register please call 609-924-8777 ext 101 or visit www.artscouncilof princeton.org.

Artworks at 19 Everett Alley at South Stockton Street in Trenton will be hosting "Young Vibes: Trenton Central High School" through March 1.

The Bernstein Gallery is presenting, "Looking at the Sequential Dialetic," several pages from Michael LaRiccia's upcoming graphic novel, *The Death of Black Mane and the Feored Self.* The exhibition runs from February 25 through April 4, with a public reception on February 29 from 6 to 8 p.m. Gallery hours are 9 to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

D&R Greenway in the Johnson Education Center at One Preservation Place in Princeton will host "A Matter of Perspective — Our Personal Landscape," through March 21, Mondays through Fridays, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. A panel discussion, "Perspectives on Preservation," will be held at 7 p.m. on Thursday, February 21 following a reception at 6:30. The event is free and open to the public. Reservations are requested at (609) 924-4646 or by e-mail: cedelmann@drgreenway.org.

The Erdman Gallery, located inside the Erdman Center at 20 Library Place in Princeton, is hosting an exhibit featuring mixed media works by Hetal Mistry that will be on display through Friday, February 22.

Firestone Library is presenting an exhibition of rare books, coins, medals and manuscripts, "Numismatics in the Renaissance," in the main gallery through July 20. An exhibition highlighting the artistic collaborations of French poet Paul Éluard and Catalan artist Joan Miró will be on display from Friday, February 22 to Sunday, June 29, in the Leonard L. Milberg Gallery for the Graphic Arts.

The Gallery at Chapin will be exhibiting work by childrens' book illustrators Ponder Goembel, Dar Hosta, Jennifer Hayden, Gennady Spirin, and Nancy E. Wallace through March 7. The exhibit can be viewed during school hours.

Gallery 14 at 14 Mercer Street in Hopewell is hosting "Translations," a dual exhibit of photographs by its member Rhoda Kassof-Isaac, in the main gallery, and an homage to her late friend, artist Sol Lewitt, in the Small Gallery.

Grounds for Sculpture is presenting "Focus on Sculpture," a juried exhibition of photographs by amateur photographers sharing sculpture as subject matter, through April 27. There are also three exhibitions of contemporary sculpture on view through April 27. The group show, "Enclosures," featuring work from John Isherwood, Wendy Ross, John Ruppert and Foon Sham, in the Museum Building; "Herk Van Tongeren: Serie Metafisica and Teatro" and the International Sculpture Center's 2007 Outstanding Student Achievement in Contemporary Sculpture Awards, in the Domestic Arts Building. For more information on Grounds For Sculpture's Special Events, visit www.groundsforsculpture.org.

Historical Society of Princeton, Bainbridge House, 158 Nassau Street, is presenting an exhibition of Princeton in the 1930s that will run through July 2008. Docent led tours are on Saturdays: February 9, March 8, April 12, May 10, June 14 at 2 pm. Curator Museum Tours, 300 years of Princeton History, are on Fridays: February 29, March 28, April 25, May 30 and June 27—3 pm; Walking Tour of Princeton, 1.9 mile guided tour, allow 2 hours, meet outside at 2 p.m., $7, $4 for children 6-12. No reservations. Hours: Tuesday through Sunday 12 to 4 p.m.; free admission, donations accepted. For more information, call (609) 921-6748 or visit www.princetonhistory.org.

Hopewell Frame Shop's Gallery is presenting the watercolors, acrylics, handcrafted pottery, and enamels of Rose Marie Strippoli through Saturday, February 23.

Howard Gallery of Fine Art at 77 W. Bridge Street, New Hope, Pa., is presenting a group exhibit, "Make it Personal," through February 29.

The James A. Michener Art Museum in Doylestown will be presenting "Elsie Driggs: The Quick and the Classical" through April 12. "The Holy Experiment: Violet Oakley Mural Studies," featuring 13 original oil on canvas studies for murals in the Governor's Reception Room of the Pennsylvania Capitol Building in Harrisburg, will be on view through March 30 in the Pfundt Gallery.The museum is located at 138 South Pine Street in Doylestown. For more information, call (215) 340-9800.

The Jane Vorbees Zimmerli Art Museum in New Brunswick is presenting "The Magyar Imagination: Selections from the Salgo Trust Donation of Hungarian Art" through March 30. "Art Nouveau Illuminated: Lamps from the Sigmund Freedman Bequest" will be on view through April 20. "Art for the Dance: Russian Costume and Stage Designs from the Riabov Collection" and "Russian Dance: Selections from the Donation of Herbert and Ruth Schimmel," will be on view through July 31. The Zimmerli is located at 71 Hamilton Street on the College Avenue campus of Rutgers University in New Brunswick.

The Jewish Center of Princeton at 435 Nassau Street in Princeton is hosting an exhibit of paintings by Gilda Aronovic in its gallery through March 16.

Morven Museum & Garden is presenting Ben Again, a pop culture memorabilia exhibit from now through March celebrating Ben Franklin in Pop culture.

The NJ State Museum is presenting "Selected Works: Art by African-Americans in the Museum's Collection," in the galleries in the Department of State building at 225 West State Street in Trenton. The exhibit will be on view through March 20. "Fancy Rockingham Pottery: The Modeller and Ceramics in Nineteenth-Century America,"will be in the Auditorium Galleries, 205 West State Street, Trenton, through May 3.

Pennswood Village, 1382 Newtown-Langhorne Road in Newtown, Pa., will be showing work by Selma Bortner through March 2. Gallery hours: 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. daily.

Plainsboro Public Library will be showing artwork by Jeffrey Lou, a professional Chinese ink brush painter and watercolorist, through February 28.

Princeton Day School is presenting a retrospective exhibit of oil paintings by former PDS art teacher Peter Cook in the Anne Reid '72 Art Gallery through March 2. Visitors also are welcome to view the exhibit 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday when school is open and by appointment on weekends. For an appointment, call (609) 924-6700 or visit www.pds.org.

The Princeton University Art Museum is presenting through June 8 "Invoking the Comic Muse: Toulouse-Lautrec's Parody of The Sacred Grove," a focus exhibition centered on a painting by Lautrec that simultaneously pokes fun at and pays homage to the winner of the highest prize at the 1884 Salon, Puvis de Chavannes's *Sacred Grove Dear to the Arts ond Muses.* The museum will mark its 125th anniversary with an exhibit of many of its most important works from all areas of the collection in "An Educated Eye: Princeton University Art Museum Collections," which will be on view from February 23 through June 15.

RMJM Hillier Headquarters, 500 Alexander Park, West Windsor, is hosting an exhibit of 25 area artists, working in media from photography to ceramics, assemblage, bronze and beyond; artwork is for sale, as the exhibit is coordinated with West Windsor Arts Council's Cabin Fever Cabaret fundraiser. For further information, call (609) 919-1982 or visit www.westwindsorarts.org.

The Trenton City Museum at Ellarslie Mansion in Cadwalader Park and The Trenton Museum Society are presenting "The World Dines Out: 100 Years at Trenton's Lamberton," exhibit displaying china produced at the city's Lamberton Works.

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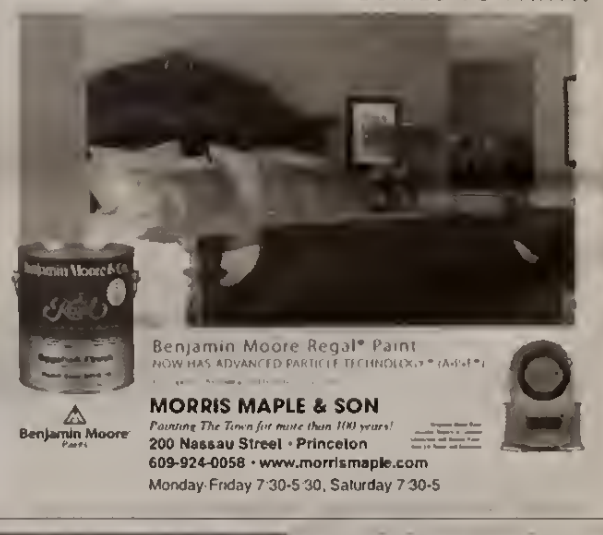

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MUSIC REVIEW

Princeton Pro Musica Honors King With Program of Americana Music

Every year about this time, Princeton Pro Musica presents a concert honoring the life and goals of Martin Luther King, Jr., often in collaboration with another ensemble. This year, the "Concert of Peace and Reconciliation" featured both Pro Musica (in slightly reduced forces) and the New Jersey Gay Men's Chorus, performing in the relatively new Trego-Biancosino Auditorium in the Princeton Regional Schools Performing Arts Center. This was the first concert Pro Musica has performed in the hall, and although it was unclear if the chorus is looking for a new concert home for some of their concerts, it was apparent that some things about the Auditorium worked in the ensemble's favor and others not.

Performing organizations with long-standing concert homes often evolve around the acoustics and nuances of that home. Pro Musica Music Director Frances Fowler Slade has built the chorus around the acoustics of Richardson Auditorium, a hall kind to the imperfections of a volunteer ensemble. Pro Musica's soprano section has always been lean, without excess vibrato in Richardson, and any shortage of male voices was alleviated by the ease of singing in the hall.

It was clear throughout Pro Musica's Sunday afternoon concert that Trego Auditorium shows every performer's flaw. Ms. Slade chose to open the program with the concept of "hope" through a piece for women's voices based on the visitations of the Virgin Mary to the town of Medjugorje in Bosnia-Herzegovina. The women of Pro Musica were precise in their presentation of the text and the top soprano sound had just the right amount of sparkle. Ms. Slade focused on the intensity and anticipatory nature of the piece, which is clearly a good addition to the repertory of music for women's voices.

The second piece on the program was also rooted in hope; Randall Thompson's *Alleluia* was composed as World War II was getting underway, and Pro Musica saw the piece's serenity and musical stillness as fitting for our times. Although Pro Musica captured the dynamic intensity of the work well, the sopranos were uncharacteristically fluttery, and there were some glitches in tuning, with chords not always settling properly.

The best sound from Pro Musica in this hall was a full choral sound, which the ensemble achieved in Kirke Mechem's *Island in Space*. Preceded by a brief and interesting film on the wonders of space travel, the performance of the Mechem piece ended with nicely blended harmonies in a block chordal style.

To close out Pro Musica's portion of the program, Ms. Slade chose Moses Hogan's *His Light Still Shines*, for chorus, three soloists and narrator. Cecelia Hodges, with a strong background in both literature and spoken word, provided an elegant and graceful narration, and three Pro Musica members, tenor Lynn Atkins and sopranos Audrey Bram and Mary Trigg, sang with rich vocal color and appealing quality.

The New Jersey Gay Men's Chorus, conducted by Steven A. Russell, sang a set of six songs by varied contemporary composers celebrating diversity and tolerance. Although small in numbers, the Gay Men's Chorus had a nice blend to its sound. The two best arrangements were Robert De Cormier's *Rainbow 'Round My Shoulder* and Dennis Coleman's arrangement of *There's a Man Going 'Round*. The Gay men's Chorus sang these two selections with clean chords and key changes, and baritone Michael Gary sang the solo in the Coleman piece expressively.

The two ensembles came together for Samuel Barber's *A Stopwatch and an Ordnance Map* (for male chorus) and Lee Hobby's *Hymn to the New Age*. In these pieces, the Gay Men's Chorus served to beef up the Pro Musica men's sections, and in the case of the Barber piece, enabled Pro Musica to perform a piece they might have a hard time doing on their own without the extra men.

Princeton Pro Musica has been performing in several different places this season, with their last concert of the year scheduled for Trenton's War Memorial. Although Sunday's concert might have had some technical glitches, the February concert of this ensemble is always popular with audiences.

—Nancy Plum

Princeton Pro Musica's next performance is on May 4 in Trenton's War Memorial. The concert, in collaboration with The Westfield Symphony Orchestra and Nassau Presbyterinn Church Children's Choirs, will present Benjamin Britten's "War Requiem." For information call (609) 683-5122.

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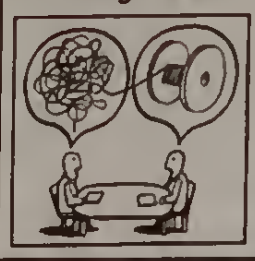

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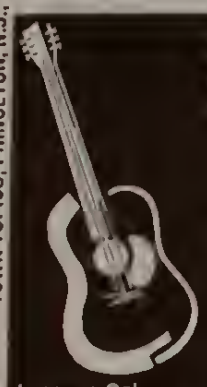

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Tuesday, February 26th
Video Screening of "From Heart to Heart: Beethoven's Plea for Peace" by Sir Gilbert Levine '71
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Thursday, February 28th
Certificate Program in Musical Performance Student Recital
John Travis '08, voice. Works by Schubert, Schumann, Brahms, and others, Taplin Auditorium, 8:00 p.m.

Friday, February 29th
Certificate Program in Musical Performance Student Recital,
Kieran Ledwidge '08, violin
Taplin Auditorium, 8:00 p.m.

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Soolean Choy

Westminster Showcase Features Student Winners

The Westminster Community Orchestra, conducted by Ruth Ochs, will present the annual Westminster Conservatory Showcase on Sunday, February 24, at 3 p.m. in Richardson Auditorium in Alexander Hall on the campus of Princeton University. The orchestra will be joined by the Westminster Conservatory Youth Chorale, conducted by Frank Abrahams, and the Westminster Conservatory Concerto Competition winners.

The program will include "Four Sea Interludes" from *Peter Grimes* by Benjamin Britten and "In Nature's Realm" by Dvorak. The Westminster Conservatory Youth Chorale will join the orchestra to perform *Three Russion Folk Songs* by Rachmaninoff. Each concerto competition winner will perform one work with the orchestra: saxophonist Jonathan Taratuta-Titus in Milhaud's *Scoramouche*; violinist Lauren Chen in de Bérlot's Violin Concerto No. 7 in G Major; and clarinetist Soolean Choy in Weber's Concertino for Clarinet and Orchestra.

Now in her third season as conductor and music director of the Westminster Community Orchestra, Ruth Ochs holds degrees in music and orchestral conducting from Harvard University and the University of Texas, respectively. She is currently pursuing her doctorate in musicology at Princeton University. While in Austin, she was a music director of the University Orchestra at the University of Texas, conducted the top ensembles of the School of Music's acclaimed String Project, and made several guest appearances with the Austin Civic Orchestra. In 2001, she was elected music director of the Austin Philharmonic. At Princeton, she conducts the University's Sinfonia and also serves as assistant conductor of the University's Orchestra.

The Westminster Conservatory Youth Chorale is an honors choir for high school students. It has performed with the Greater Princeton Youth Symphony and the Westminster Community Orchestra, as well as two concert tours of Brazil.

Conductor Frank Abrahams is professor of music education and chair of the music education department at Westminster Choir College of Rider University. A native of Philadelphia, he holds degrees from Temple University and New England Conservatory. In addition to his work in music education and administration, he enjoys an active career as a pianist, choral conductor and in music theater. Founder and conductor of the Westminster Conservatory Youth Chorale, he is also founder of the Westminster Music Theatre Workshop, a summer program for high school actors and singers.

A student at Princeton Day School, Lauren Chen began taking violin lessons at the age of four. She has been studying with Ileana Ciumac at Westminster Conservatory since 2006. Lauren won the Westminster Conservatory Concerto Competition in 2003 as well as the Conservatory's annual Scholarship Competition in 1999, 2001 and 2005. She is a co-founder of Living Free for Research, a foundation that raises money for stem-cell research by selling original photographs. She was in the 1998 feature film *The Object of My Affection*, playing her violin in one of the scenes.

A senior at Montgomery High School, Soolean Choy has been playing the clarinet for seven years, the last five with Kenneth Ellison. She won the Westminster Conservatory Scholarship Competition in 2004 and 2006. She is the principal clarinetist of the Montgomery High School Wind Ensemble, Greater Princeton Youth Orchestra, the Tim Keyes Consort and the 2008 New Jersey Central Region's Wind Ensemble. Also a pianist, for the past several years she has received the rating of High Honors in the Music Teachers National Association's annual piano audition. She is currently the president of Young Musicians for Volunteer Action, a student-run non-profit organization made up of young musicians.

A freshman at Princeton High School, Jonathan Taratuta-Titus has been studying saxophone for five years and clarinet for three years with Kenneth Ellison and piano for seven years, currently with Rita Shklar. He also plays alto saxophone in Princeton High School's Studio Band. Jonathan won honorable mention in the 2006 and 2007 Westminster winds scholarship competitions on saxophone. In May 2007, he performed in the Golden Key Music Festival winners' recital at Carnegie Hall in New York on both saxophone and piano.

Founded in 1985, the Westminster Community Orchestra is a performing ensemble based at Westminster Conservatory of Music, the community music school of Westminster Choir College of Rider University. Members are professional and gifted amateur musicians from the New Jersey and Pennsylvania area. With on-campus and community based instruction in piano, organ, voice, strings, woodwinds, brass, guitar, harp, and harpsichord, the Westminster Conservatory offers a superior faculty and tailors lessons, workshops and classes to the need of the individual student.

Admission for this performance is $15 for adults and $10 for seniors and students. To purchase tickets, call Richardson Auditorium's box office at (609) 258-9220 or order on line at www.princeton.edu/utickets.

Christ Church Schedules Chamber Music Concert

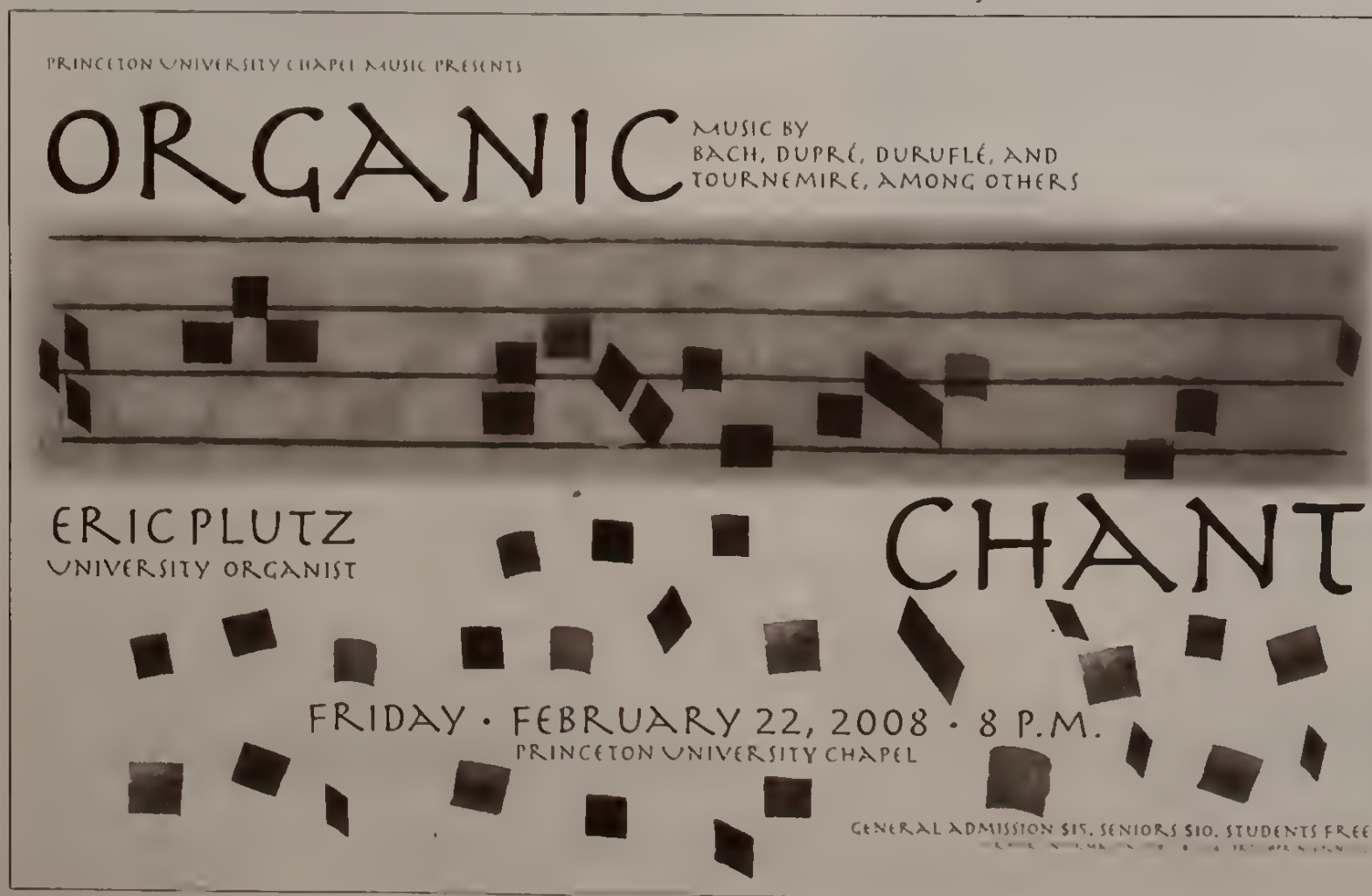
The Practitioners of Musick will be performing at the Christ Congregation Church on Walnut Lane, at 4 p.m. on Sunday, March 2. John Burkhalter will be on the recorder assisted by cellist David Black and harpsichordist Gavin Black. Together they will present a program of chamber music of the Baroque period including Handel, Veracini, Loeillet, and Dieupart.

Founded by John Burkhalter and the late Professor Eugene Roan, The Practitioners of Musick continue to survey the musical riches of eighteenth century Great Britain, Ireland, and both the Colonial and early Federal periods in America. In addition the ensemble has focused attention on the musical life in New France from the years 1660 until the fall of Quebec in 1759. New projects include further investigation of 17th and 18th century chamber music from Vice-Regal Mexico and Peru.

Cellist David Black was a graduate of Yale University, studied with Joyce Lawrene in New Haven, and in the United Kingdom with Jane Cowan at The International Cello Centre. Mr. Black is also a member of the Baroque ensemble Col Legno.

Gavin Black is director of the Princeton Early Keyboard Center, where he teaches harpsichord, clavichord, the art of continuo playing and organ. He also teaches at the Westminster Conservatory. His principal organ and harpsichord teachers have been Paul Jordan and Eugene Roan. Mr. Black is a graduate of Princeton University and holds a graduate degree in organ from Westminster. Mr. Black has recorded harpsichord music of Froberger, Buxtehude, and Sweelinck for the PGM and Centaur labels. He also performs with the Baroque ensemble Col Legno.

General admission to the performance is $15 and $10 for students and seniors 65 and older. For additional information, visit www.pekc.org.



Westminster Conservatory Series Presents Tripleplay Winds

Westminster Conservatory at Nassau will present a free recital by Tripleplay Winds in the Niles Chapel of Nassau Presbyterian Church, 61 Nassau Street on Thursday, February 21, at 12:15 p.m. The trio consists of Kevin Willois, flute; Kenneth Ellison, clarinet; and Ivy Haga, bassoon, all members of the Westminster Conservatory faculty.

The program will include *Three Pieces*, by American composer Walter Piston; *Sonotinetto*, by Ernst Toch; and *Four Donces in Grandmo's Kitchen*, by New Jersey composer Thomas Buckelew, a composition written for *Tripleploy Winds* that premiered in May 2007.

Kevin Willois, flute, received a Bachelor of Music degree in education and performance and a master's degree from Mason Gross School of the Arts of Rutgers University. He has served as the principal flutist of the Rutgers Orchestra, and SummerFest Orchestra. In addition to playing with Tripleplay Winds he has performed and recorded for 20 years with rhythm and blues groups.

Clarinetist Kenneth Ellison has performed with many musical organizations, including the Manhattan Chamber Orchestra, the Riverside Sinfonia, and the Greenville Symphony, under such conductors as Andrea Quinn, John Rutter, Frederick Fennell, and Rossen Milanov, and in venues including Avery Fisher Hall, Merkin Hall, New Jersey Performing Arts Center, and the Spoleto Festival in Charleston, S.C. He is a member of the Princeton Symphony woodwind trio for the BRAVO! the educational outreach program of the Princeton Symphony, and the New Jersey Arts Collective. Mr. Ellison is a candidate in the Doctor of Musical Arts program at Rutgers University. He has degrees in music from Arizona State University and Furman University. At Westminster Conservatory, Mr. Ellison teaches clarinet and saxophone.

Ivy Haga, bassoon, has performed with Artemis Chamber Ensemble, Red Bank Chamber Music Society, and BassMasters Bassoon Ensemble of Richmond, Va. She has recorded with the National Chamber Players for the Klavier Label. A member of a woodwind trio for BRAVO!, she teaches at both the Lawrenceville School and the Youth Orchestra of Central Jersey, and maintains a private studio. As an orchestral musician, she has played under the direction of Pierre Boulez and Andrea Quinn, and she has performed in the Kennedy Center, Avery Fisher Hall and Carnegie Hall. Ms. Haga is pursuing doctoral studies at Mason Gross School of the Arts, Rutgers University. She received a Master of Music at Rutgers and a Bachelor of Music at Virginia Commonwealth University.

Westminster Conservatory at Nassau is a collaborative effort between Nassau Presbyterian Church and Westminster Conservatory, the community music school of Westminster Choir College of Rider University. The recitals are 30 to 40 minutes in length and take place on the third Thursday of the month, September to May (except December). All performers in the series are faculty members of Westminster Conservatory.

On March 27, the performers will be Danielle Sinclair, soprano; Denise Mihalik, mezzo-soprano, and Kathy Shanklin, piano. Note that March 27 is the fourth Thursday of the month.

This program is made possible in part by the Mercer County Cultural and Heritage Commission through funding from the Mercer County Board of Chosen Freeholders and the New Jersey State Council on the Arts/Department of State, a partner agency of the National Endowment for the Arts.

For information, or to receive Westminster's 2007-2008 season brochure, call the Westminster box office at 609-921-2663. For updates, go to Westminster's Website at www.rider.edu/arts.

"Harlem Renaissance" Presented at Salon 33

Salon 33 is hosting a concert and pot luck dinner this Saturday, at 7 p.m. The title of the program is *Horlem Renoissonce* and it examines the impact black Americans have made on popular song.

Pianist, singer, and lecturer Fred Miller will be performing and discuss the careers of Bert Williams, Ethel Waters, Euble Blake, Duke Ellington, Bill "Bojangles" Robinson, and Cab Calloway.

Mr. Miller has spent the last several decades in many musical fields including grand opera, musical comedy, classical piano and chamber music. However, his current professional life revolves around American popular song. Mr. Miller is the founder of Singing Telegrams USA and the Copper Penny Players, a ten week singing class for amateur singers.

Salon 33 is located at 33 Chestnut Street in Princeton. The event is free but there is a suggested contribution of $10 which goes to the performer.

Contributions of food are appreciated and reservations are required by calling Rob Tannen at (609) 924-7955 or by e-mail Berrot@aol.com.

Princeton Festival 2008 Schedules Auditions

The Princeton Festival will audition singers for the adult and children's choruses of *La Bohème* and *Mirette* in early March. Auditions for the adults' chorus as well as the *Mirette* roles will take place Monday through Friday, March 3, 5, 7, and 8. Prospective candidates can make an appointment and indicate a preferred date by sending an e-mail to chorus@princetonfestival.org. Candidates will receive a response with information on the time and location of the audition.

Candidates for the children's chorus must be ages 7 to 14 and auditions will be held on Saturday and Sunday, March 8 and 9. To make an appointment, send an e-mail to childrens chorus@princetonfestival.org and indicate which date is preferred. Candidates will receive a response including specifics on the time and location of the audition.

Adult chorus *Mirette* candidates will be asked to perform two selections of their own choice that best demonstrate the singer's strengths, one in Italian and one from the musical theater.

The lead role in *Mirette* is for a 10 year old girl. Candidates for the children's chorus will be asked to perform one selection of their own choosing that best demonstrates the singer's strengths. An audition fee of $10 will be charged, but will be waived for those who participated in last year's Festival adult chorus.

The chorus of Puccini's opera *La Bohème* is a vital part of the opera's famous Christmas Eve scene at Café Momus in Paris, where a throng of café patrons, shoppers, shop girls, urchins, students, and soldiers congregate.

The cast of the musical *Mirette* is comprised of the residents of a small Parisian hotel for musical hall performers, including a juggler, an opera singer, acrobats, a beautiful dancer, a sad clown, the proprietor Madame Gateau, and her young daughter Mirette. The musical is an adaptation of Emily Arnold McCully's children's book *Mirette on the High Wire* by composer Harvey Schmidt and lyricist Tom Jones, best known for their long running off Broadway hit *The Fantasticks*, as well as the Broadway hits *110 in the Shade* and *I Do, I Do*.

The Princeton Festival 2008 runs from June 14 to 29. For additional information visit www.princetonfestival.org.

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The David "Fathead" Newman Quartet will perform at the Peddie School's Mount Burke Theater in Hightstown, at 8 p.m., on Friday, February 28. Mr. Newman was born in Texas in 1933 and his career started by touring with Buster Smith, who was Charlie Parker's mentor. Along his travels, he met and befriended Ray Charles.

When Mr. Charles started his own band in 1954, he called on Mr. Newman to join the group, which began a twelve year association with the Ray Charles Band. Mr. Newman began as the baritone player and soon became the star tenor soloist. He has recorded albums for Atlantic Records, Warner Brothers, Prestige, Muse, and High Note labels. He also recorded with Herbie Mann, Aretha Franklin, Hank Crawford, and Aaron Neville. His 2005 release, *I Remember Brother Ray*, became the number one most played jazz album nationwide.

Mr. Newman has appeared on many television shows including Saturday Night Live, Late Night with David Letterman, and appeared in Robert Altman's film *Konsos City*. To learn more about Mr. Newman visit www.davidfatheadnewman.com.

The performance is part of the CAPPS Jazz Fridays program and tickets are $18. For additional information call (609) 490-7550 or visit capps@peddie.org.

CALLING ALL KIDS AT HEART: The audience will be invited to sing and dance along with Dan Zanes at McCarter Theater with two performances on Saturday, February 23, at 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Mr. Zanes is a Grammy Award winner for "Best Musical Album for Children" and is the former leader of the rock band, "The Del Fuegos". At McCarter, Mr. Zanes and his band will perform Broadway standards, North American and West Indian folk music, fiddle tunes, and soulful originals in the spirit of rock and roll. Tickets are $19 and can be purchased by calling (609) 258-2787 or online at www.mccarter.org.

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Teatro Lirico D'Europa Presents "The Barber of Seville"

Returning to the Matthews stage of McCarter Theatre, Teatro Lirico D'Europa's company of international soloists, chorus and full orchestra will present *Il Borbiere di Siviglia* (performed in the original Italian with English supertitles) on Thursday, February 28 at 7:30 p.m.

Among the best-loved comic operas, Gioachino Rossini's *The Borber of Seville* features a melodious score and the famous "Figaro" aria. In one deceptive scheme after another, the clever and charming barber, Figaro, assists the dashing Count Almaviva in his plan to win the heart of the lovely Rosina by fending off her unwanted suitor and guardian, Dr. Bartolo.

Teatro Lirico D'Europa was created in 1986 by the late Yves Josse, a French performing arts promoter, and Bulgarian opera singer Giorgio Lalov, who made his debut at La Scala at the age of 25. The company has performed throughout France, Belgium, Switzerland, Germany, the Netherlands, Spain and Portugal, drawing soloists from Bulgaria, Central Europe, and the U.S.

Of a recent performance by the troupe, The Boston Globe said, "Rossini's *The Barber of Seville* is a comedy so expertly carpentered that it can still make an audience laugh 190 years after its premiere. It's fun to hear accomplished singers leap over the vocal hurdles and watch them put their personal stamp on the famous comic scenes."

Tickets for Teatro Lirico D'Europa's production of The Barber of Seville are $50, $45 and $42; student tickets are $12. Call (609) 258-2787 or visit, www.mccarter.org.

Peddie Hosts Venezuelan Performer This Saturday

Gabriela Montero will perform her improvisations on themes by Bach on Saturday, February 23, at 8 p.m., at the Mount Burke Theater. Born in Caracas, Venezuela, Ms. Montero gave her first public performance at the age of five. At eight she was granted a scholarship for the Venezuelan government to study in the United States. Since that time, she has won several competitions and has become renown internationally for her inspired performances of core repertoire.

Her latest CD, *Boch and Beyond*, is a full disc of improvisations on themes by Bach. Ms. Montero has appeared with orchestras throughout the world and the far east and recently made her debut with the New York Philharmonic. She has appeared in recitals at Wigmore Hall in London, Kennedy Center in Washington DC, National Arts Center Ottawa, Orchard Hall Tokyo, and Teatro Colon Buenos Aires. She has been featured on NPR and *60 Minutes*. To learn more about Ms. Montero, visit www.gabrielamontero.com

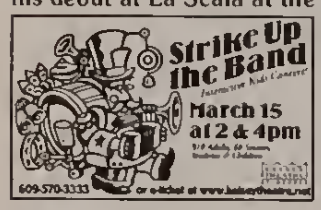
The Mount Burke Theater is located on the campus of the Peddie School in Hightstown. Ms. Montero's concert is part of the CAPPS Signature Saturdays program and tickets are $20. For additional information call (609) 490-7550 or visit capps@peddie.org.

Local Academic to Perform At Desert Moon Mexican Grille

Singer, songwriter, guitar player Patricia Kennedy will perform at 6 p.m., on Friday, February 29 at Desert Moon Fresh Mexican Grille. Ms. Kennedy lives in Princeton and teaches a course on terrorism and human rights at Princeton University in Princeton's Writing Program. Previously, she has taught English, creative writing, and law at The Hun School of Princeton, The College of New Jersey, West Windsor Plainsboro North and South. For six years she coached women's lacrosse at Princeton University and currently is a faculty liaison to the team.

Desert Moon Fresh Mexican Grille is located at 415 Nassau Park Boulevard in Princeton. For additional information call (609) 452-2916.

FACULTY RECITAL: Todd Van Kekerix, piano faculty at The New School for Music Study will perform a recital at 2 p.m., on Sunday, March 2, at Jacob's Music Center in Lawrenceville. The program will include the Beethoven "Waldstein Sonata Opus 53", the Copin "Sonata Opus 58", and arrangements of popular jazz favorites, Wild and Gerswin's "Fascinatin Rhythm", "Embraceable You", and "I Got Rhythm." For additional information call the New School at (609) 921-2900 or visit www.nsmsplano.org.



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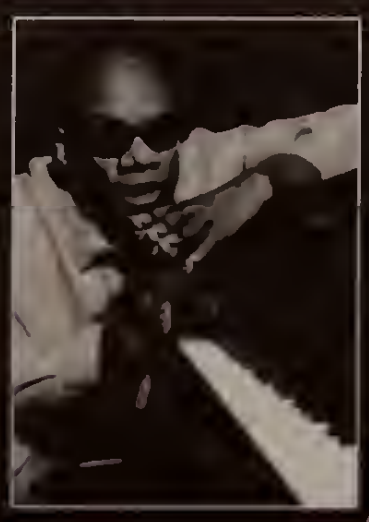

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An American Masterpiece You Can't See on DVD — Yet

With Academy Awards night looming, I'm thinking there should be an Oscar for Best Overlooked Picture of the Past. You could call it the Garbo Award, for Greta Garbo, one of several legendary stars who never received an Oscar. The most deserving such film I know of is not only one of the best American movies ever made, it remains the most beautiful and accomplished motion picture to come out of the Depression era. Sadly, this will be a DVD Review in name only, since Frank Borzage's *Mon's Costle* has never been released on video or DVD and is rarely seen on television. I taped my copy off Cinemax 15 years ago. Technicians and archivists working on a restoration have extra incentive to put it on DVD this year, in time for the film's 75th anniversary. You may not know his name today, but at the time he made *Man's Castle*, Frank Borzage had already won two Best Director Oscars — the first ever, for *7th Heaven*, in 1928, and for *Bad Girl*, in 1931.

Made at the same studio in the same year, Frank Capra's *It Hoppened One Night* had extraordinary popular success, swept the 1934 Oscars, and has been available for home viewing ever since the advent of the VCR. Although *Mon's Costle* was released before the Hays Office began its strict enfnrcement of the Production Code's list of inadmissable sins, it had been thoroughly savaged by the censors when it finally opened in New York in late December 1933. Thirty cuts had been inflicted, and even then it was banned in several states.

Capra's romance of the road has a sassy, fast-moving, fast-talking panache; it's an amusing slice of 1930s American life. Thanks to a combination of enlightened acting, directing, and cinematography, however, *Mnn's Costle* is a richer and more lasting work of mntion picture art. Visually, it's the difference between prose and poetry — except that thanks to the lively dialogue provided by Jo Zwerling and delivered with roughneck bravado by Spencer Tracy, *Man's Costle* sustains its own salty, slangy immediacy. If anything, Tracy's resnurceful, nnrepentant outcast is tougher and more driven and driving than Gable's cocky, full-steam-ahead newspaperman. He's also more human and more vulnerable — perhaps too vulnerable for audiences of the time whn preferred that the "weaker sex" ultimately remain snbservient to the alpha male.

Intimate Magic

Rnmantic meetings on park benches have figured In American movies from the silent era to the present. The one that begins *Man's Castle* is, like most of the others, set in Central Park. The outline seems unexceptional enough. Rich man in evening dress (Spencer Tracy as Bill) meets puur girl (Lnretta Young as Trina) who hasn't eaten for two days and is gazing hungrily at the popcnrn the top-hatted man-about-town is feeding to a bunch of pigeons. The establishing shot is the standard view of Manhattan towers at the southern border of Central Park. Most directors would then cut right to the bench and the couple. Instead, you're plunged into a soft-focus close-up dream of bustling, glowing, feathery luminosity, radiant wings flashing like banners of storybook splendor against the plush black night. These are not your ordinary garden-variety city pigeons. These are enchanted, whiter-than-white creatures fit for carrying love notes between Titania and Oberon in *A Midsummer Night's Dreom*. As the camera tilts upward to take in the top-hatted lounger, his tuxedo jacket is open and a cigarette is jutting from his mouth with a suggestion of easy arrogance that somehow doesn't go with the fancy duds; the magical light is still in play, glowing on his shirt cuffs, shirt front, cigarette, even the bag of popcorn, but this isn't visionary pigeon feed he's dispensing; this is the real thing, good old-fashioned American moviehouse popcorn and the hungry girl is devoutly wishing she had some. Giving her a dirty look, the playboy barks, "Wassamatter? C'mon spill it!" in a voice more suited to a Hell's Kitchen lout than a Park Avenue bon vivant. She's scared and tries to get away, but he grabs her and as soon as he discovers how long it's been since she's had a meal, he hauls her unceremoniously off to one of the fanciest restaurants on Broadway, where he treats her to dinner. Walking away from the free meal he conned from the restaurant manager with a lecture on how much good food they throw away every day ("People are starving!"), he reveals the true function of the top hat and tails, as the neon letters on his shirt front flash on and off, spelling out *Gilbey House Coffee*. He's a walking advertisement.

The Poetry of the Ordinary

In a movie where Central Park pigeons can be made to resemble magical beings, it only follows that other seemingly ordinary objects will be touched with magic: for instance, a stove in a store window offered for $5 down and $2 a week; a wind-up toy drummer boy that plays "Yankee Doodle Dandy"; a riverside encampment of makeshift shacks and huts Bill takes Trina to that first night ("Bagville on the Hudson"), so artfully constructed and lit that the ramshackle vista achieves a complex, exotic splendor, like a glittering oasis in the Sahara. Then there's the elaborately cluttered interior of the shack Bill and Trina share, with a sliding window over the bed so that Bill can pull it open and look up at the sky whenever he feels the urge to escape the relationship (something that comes over him every time he hears a train whistle). In order to raise money for that stove, which Trina longs for, he becomes another walking advertisement, this time a clown on stilts for the Gotham Eatery. Before that, he earns the $5 downpayment by serving a summons to a nightclub singer (played Mae-West-style by Glenda Farrell) in the middle of her act, where the band of luminous gold-hatted, white-suited musicians backing her resemble the sort of incandescent orchestra the Great Gatsby might have hired to dazzle Daisy Buchanan.

Loretta's Eyes

More important than any of those objects, however, is the radiant observer whose gaze alone is enough to illuminate everything she loves or fears or wonders at or desires. From the first shadowy park-bench close-up haunted by her achingly expressive eyes, 20-year-old Loretta Young lights up the film, its emotional beacon. With some guidance from Borzage, who was unsurpassed as an actor's director, and with the camera work of Joseph August, who shot Murnau's *Sunrise*, her beauty is captured and expressed in close-up after close-up, portraits of passion, hope, adoration, and fulfillment, from the fearful, half-starved girl of the opening to the blooming, love-emboldened beauty who cradles Tracy in her arms on the hay-strewn floor of the box car at the end. Even the neon letters on Bill's shirt front become beautiful when you see the flash of light reflected in her face, and it's Trina's gaze that helps transform the cheap stove she longs for into a thing of beauty. The first time you see it, it's just a stove in a display window. Then the camera pulls back to show her staring at it in a rapture of longing endowed with the aura of her heart's desire that has to be there for you to believe in the scene that unfolds when Bill finally buys it and brings it home. When she falls to her knees in front of it, it's as if this thoughtful act from so boastfully thoughtless a man had just saved her soul.

AT HOME WITH BILL AND TRINA: This still from Frank Borzage's "Man's Castle" shows the artfully deranged habitat shared by the lovers. The $5-down stove can be seen next to Spencer Tracy (as Bill), who has just attempted to rob a toy factory to help pay for the baby Trina's expecting. The robbery attempt fell through when he became infatuated with the musical wind-up toy ("I'll get it for the kid") he's just set loose to announce his presence to Loretta Young (as Trina), who is still in her "wedding" dress (the ceremony unsanctioned; marriages in Borzage movies are rarely condoned by church or state). The couple will soon be in a freight train together on their way to a new life in movie heaven, still cradled in Trina's arms in one of the most memorable closing shots in American film.

Carnal Knowledge

Few scenes in films from any era have captured an intimate moment between a man and woman in love as well as the one that takes place when Trina is seen standing in front of the store window gazing on the stove of her dreams. Sidling up next to her licking an ice-cream cone, Bill teases her, pushes her around, calls her "whozis" (all he ever calls her, except for one tender moment when she's "little whozis"), and you can see from the way she rolls with his jostling that he's making love to her even as he seems to be belittling her; at the same time, it's obvious that the fearful girl of the opening scene has entered into some brave new world of love. And when she stands on tiptoe to whisper something in his ear, and he smiles, you know these two are not just making love, they're making it beautifully. No need for torrid shows of passion. He never ever tells her he loves her. He doesn't have to.

Unfortunately, the censors knew what was going on. It was all too clear that this couple was having sex out of wedlock — with the inevitable result. (In fact, Young and Tracy were engaged in a real-life affair of scandalous proportions since Tracy was married and a Catholic.) Among the forbidden sins besides "cohabitaton" committed in *Mon's Costle*, as tabulated by Borzage's biographer Hervé Dumont, are nude scenes (they swim naked in the Hudson the night they meet); an illegitimate child; attempted rape (of Trina by the villain of the piece, who is eventually shot dead by a drunken woman); allusions to prostitution, suicide, and abortion; alcoholism; unpunished breaking and entering; justified murder; indecent dialogue; swearing; and blasphemy.

With all the American films that are being found, saved, restored, rediscovered every day, it might make sense for the Academy to create a special category for embattled, battered, but unbowed masterworks such as *Mon's Costle*, which if Columbia can get it put together again in time, should be on DVD later this year.

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"Love, Sex and The I.R.S." At Bucks County Playhouse

The hit comedy by Billy Van Zandt and Jane Milmore, *Love, Sex and the I.R.S.* will open at The Bucks County Playhouse Winter Dinner Theater at The Bucks County Country Club this Friday, February 22 for a three week run until March 9. Billy Van Zandt and Jane Milmore have penned 19 plays, which have been produced all over the world in 20,000 theaters, including Off Broadway's recent critically acclaimed slapstick comedy, *Silent Loughter.* In addition, productions of their titles have been staged in Japan, Brazil, Germany, Canada, England, France and Spain. Van Zandt and Milmore are also Emmy nominated, People's Choice Award winning writer/producers for their TV work, including *Yes, Deor, Newhart, Suddenly Suson* and *Mortin.*

In this comedy, Jon Trachtman and Leslie Arthur are two life long male friends, roommates, and musicians who are down on their luck. Jon is engaged to Kate Dennis, but Kate and Leslie have been secretly involved in a relationship.

Jon has been saving tax money over the years by claiming that Leslie and he are married. When an I.R.S. agent shows up to verify the truth, Leslie is force to pretend to be a woman. Throw into the mix the arrival of Jon's mother, Leslie's girlfriend, and a nosey landlord and the real fun begins.

The play is directed by Richard Akins and stars Peter Martino and Alec Barbour as Leslie and Jon. Lauren Brader plays Kate with Louis Palena as the I.R.S. agent. Also appearing in the cast are Christie Lee Williams, Bob Marcus, Christie Johnson and Ryan Cook.

Bucks County Playhouse is a 150 seat theater, located at 2600 York Road (Route 263) in Jamison, Pennsylvania. Each performance is preceded with a full meal from salad to desert served table side featuring bruschetta chicken, pork tenderloin, pesto crusted salmon and other special choices. Dinner shows are Fridays at 7 p.m., Saturdays at 6 p.m., and Sundays at 5 p.m. with a Saturday matinee at noon.

Following *Love, Sex and the I.R.S.* the Dinner Theater will wrap up the winter season with "My Way, A Musical Tribute to Frank Sinatra" which will run from March 14 through March 30. Dinner and show tickets are $44–$55 and can be reserved by calling The Bucks County Playhouse box office at 215-862-2041.

DINNER THEATER FUN: "Love, Sex, and the I.R.S." is set to open this Friday for a three week run at the Bucks County Playhouse in Jamison, PA. For ticket information call the Playhouse box office at (215) 862-2041. The cast members are Peter Martino, Lauren Brader, Alec Barbour, Christie Lee Willlliams and Louis Palena.

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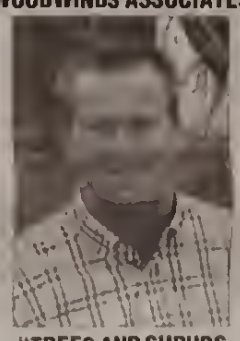

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2008 Grammy Award Winners To Appear at McCarter

McCarter Theatre will welcome three 2008 Grammy Award winners in the coming months — trumpeter/composer Terence Blanchard, Bluegrass singer Ricky Skaggs, World Music performer Angelique Kidjo — and two recipients of Grammy Lifetime Achievement Awards, Burt Bacharach and Itzhak Perlman, in the coming months.

Trumpeter/composer Terence Blanchard, who will be appearing at McCarter with the Monterey Jazz Festival: 50th Anniversary Tour on Friday, February 22 at 8 p.m., took home the Grammy Award for Best Large Jazz Ensemble Album for his epic, *A Tale of God's Will: A Requiem for Kotrina*. Appearing with Blanchard will be reed player James Moody, pianist Benny Green, and vocalist Nnenna Freelon. Bluegrass singer Ricky Skaggs walked away with his 13th Grammy for Best Southern, Country or Bluegrass Gospel Album for *Salt of the Earth*, a collaboration with The Whites. Skaggs will pair up with virtuoso pianist, singer and songwriter Bruce Hornsby at McCarter on Wednesday, April 30 at 8 p.m.

Rounding out the trio of Grammy Award winners coming to McCarter will be World Music artist Angelique Kidjo, who won her first Grammy for Best Contemporary World Music album for *Djin Djin*. Kidjo, who toured last season with Josh Groban, will be at McCarter on Thursday, May 15.

The violinist and conductor, Itzhak Perlman, recipient of a Grammy Lifetime Achievement award, will join twelve string players from the Perlman Music Program for an evening of chamber music at McCarter on Thursday, May 1. Multi-Academy Award-winning composer Burt Bacharach, who also brought home a Grammy Lifetime Achievement award, will headline McCarter's Gala Benefit on Saturday, June 7.

For tickets, call the McCarter Box Office at (609) 258-2787 or visit www.mccarter.org. McCarter Theatre is located at 91 University Place in Princeton.

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"I owe my passion and love for teaching to my first teachers - my parents - and then to every single teacher thereafter who, by their example, instilled the desire to communicate to others- as they did to me- the integrity and beauty of their subject," said Princeton resident and dance instructor Cheryl Whitney-Marcuard.

Ms. Whitney-Marcuard's passion and love for teaching is why she will be honored with the Audrée Estey Award for Excellence in Dance Education during American Repertory Ballet and ARB's Princeton Ballet School's 23rd annual gala, "A Swingin' Affair," on Saturday, March 1, at the Hyatt Hotel in New Brunswick.

PREPARING FOR GALA EVENING (from left): ARB's Princeton Ballet School Artistic Director Graham Lustig; honoree Cheryl Whitney-Marcuard; Event co-chair Jo-Ann Munoz, and American Repertory Ballet and ARB's Princeton Ballet School Executive Director Marvin Preston look forward to "A Swingin' Affair" on March 1.

In addition to teaching at Princeton Ballet School since 1990, Ms. Whitney-Marcuard is a ballet instructor at Princeton University, as well as a teacher and Associate Teacher Trainer for the family program, Music Together LLC.

At the upcoming gala, American Repertory Ballet and ARB's Princeton Ballet School will also recognize the contributions of Prudential Financial and trustee Sharon C. Taylor. Prudential's ongoing support of American Repertory Ballet has helped educational and outreach programs such as DANCE POWER. For the past 23 years, the DANCE POWER program has taught every third grader in the New Brunswick public school system how to dance.

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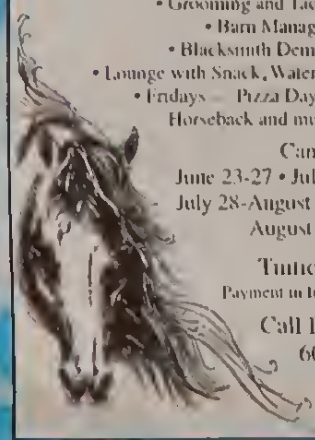

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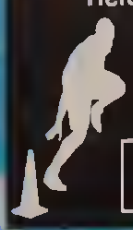

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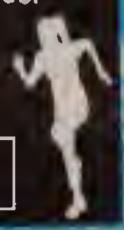

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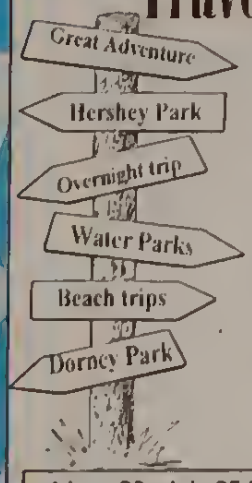

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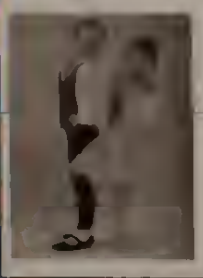

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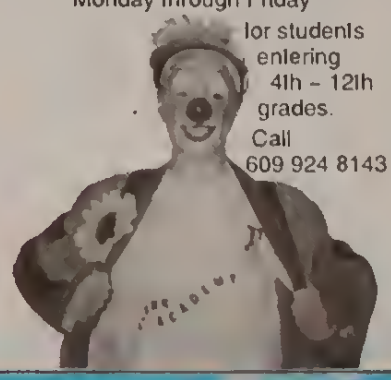

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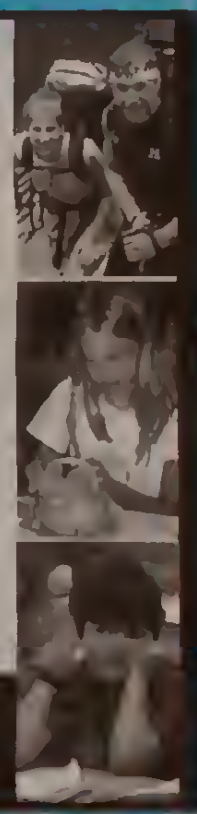

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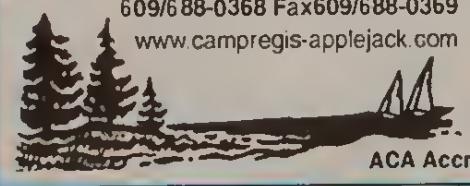

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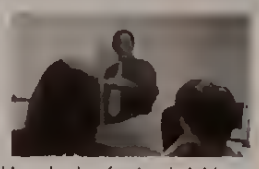

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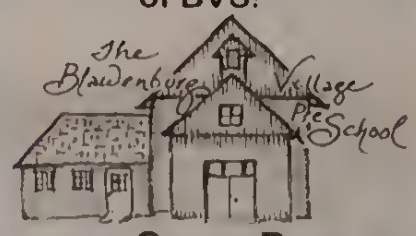

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Definitely, Maybe

Dad Shares Checkered Past With Daughter in Melodrama

The midst of a divorce probably isn't the best time for a father to share the intimate details of his messy love life with a pre-pubescent daughter. In fact, there might never be an appropriate moment for such a confession of one's checkered past. But that doesn't prevent Will Hayes (Ryan Reynolds) from doing exactly that with his 11-year-old daughter Maya (Abigail Breslin) in *Definitely, Maybe*.

When he picks her up from school that day, after her curiosity has been whetted by her first sex education class, she greets him with "We need to talk," demanding, "Tell me the story of how you and my mother met." However, rather than restrict the ensuing narrative to his soon-to-be ex, he decides to reminisce about all three of his great romances, only changing their names to keep Maya intrigued and to have her guess which one of them was her mother.

The movie shifts back to Madison, Wisconsin in 1992 where Will is involved with Emily Jones (Elizabeth Banks), his college sweetheart. He soon leaves her in the care of his best friend Charlie (Daniel Eric Gold) in order to move to New York City for a few months to work on Bill Clinton's presidential campaign.

Emily has asked Will to deliver a diary to her best friend, Summer Hartley (Rachel Weisz), who is living on University Place in Greenwich Village together with a very open-minded Hampton Roth (Kevin Kline). Of course, Summer becomes interested in Will the day they meet, explaining that Hampton doesn't mind.

To add to the mix, at Clinton's campaign headquarters Will develops a crush on co-worker April Hoffman (Isla Fisher), who is apolitical and, of course, is already in a relationship with another man.

TELL ME A STORY AND I WILL GO TO BED: When confronted by his 11-year-old daughter Maya (Abigail Breslin, right) to tell her how he met and fell in love with her mother, Will (Ryan Reynolds) decides to make it an interesting exercise by describing the stories of the three great loves of his life and having Maya guess which one of the three women eventually became her mother.

Needless to say, there's quite a bit of coupling and uncoupling during the movie *Definitely, Maybe*, a melodrama written and directed by Adam Brooks. Brooks is best known for having adapted best sellers *Practical Magic* and *Beloved* to the big screen with scripts which were strikingly similar to each other.

Remember, this tawdry tale is being recounted for the benefit of an 11-year-old girl who occasionally interrupts her father to complain about his irresponsible behavior. Provided you can ignore the inappropriateness of that underlying aspect of the narrative, you might enjoy the unpredictable hi-jinks along the path to this film's carefully-concealed resolution.

Excellent (★★★½)

Rated PG-13 for profanity, sexuality, smoking, and frank dialogue. Running time: 110 minutes. Studio: Universal Pictures.

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27 Dresses (PG-13 for profanity, sexuality, and innuendo). Katherine Heigl stars in this romantic comedy about the frustrations of a perennial bridesmaid who has to bite her tongue when the boss (Edward Burns), whom she has had a secret crush on, falls in love with her younger sister (Malin Akerman). Cast includes James Marsden, Judy Greer, and Brigitte Bourdeau.

Atonement (R for profanity, sexuality, and disturbing war images). Romance drama, opening in England in 1935, about the budding relationship between a rich girl (Keira Knightley) and the son (James McAvoy) of her family's maid which is aborted when he is falsely accused of a crime by her jealous younger sister (Saoirse Ronan). Supporting cast includes Vanessa Redgrave, Brenda Blethyn, Romola Garai, and Anthony Minghella.

Be Kind, Rewind (PG-13 for sexual references). Buddy comedy about a couple of friends who decide to try to re-shoot every movie a loyal customer (Mia Farrow) wants to rent after one (Jack Black) of them accidentally erases all the tapes at the video rental store where the other (Mos Def) works. With Danny Glover, Melonie Diaz and Sigourney Weaver.

The Bucket List (PG-13 for profanity and a sexual reference). Oscar-winners Jack Nicholson and Morgan Freeman co-star in this bittersweet end-of-life saga as terminally-ill cancer patients who make a break from the hospital after compiling a checklist of everything they want to do before kicking the bucket. With Sean Hayes, Beverly Todd, and Rowena King.

Charlie Bartlett. (R for profanity, drug use and brief nudity). Romantic comedy about a rich kid (Anton Yelchin) who finds himself falling in love with the principal's (Robert Downey, Jr.) pretty daughter (Kat Dennings) at his new high school, while playing shrink in the boys' room where he diagnoses patients and dispenses medication. Cast includes Hope Davis, Tyler Hilton and Megan Park.

Definitely, Maybe (PG-13 for profanity, sexuality, smoking and frank dialogue). Flashback flick revolving around a Manhattanite (Ryan Reynolds) in the midst of a messy divorce who decides to reminisce about the three loves of his life so that his curious 11 year-old daughter (Abigail Breslin) can guess which was her mother. Was she his college sweetheart (Elizabeth Banks), his best friend and confidante (Isla Fisher) or the tough-to-tame free spirit (Rachel Weisz). Cast includes Derek Luke and Liane Balaban.

The Diving Bell and the Butterfly (PG-13 for nudity, sexuality and profanity). Bittersweet bio-pic, based on the memoir of the same name by the late Jean-Dominique Bauby (Mathieu Amalric), the once vivacious editor-in-chief of Elle Magazine who suffered a stroke at 43 which left him paralyzed and unable to communicate except by blinking his only functioning eye. (In French and English with subtitles)

The Eye (PG-13 for violence, terror, and disturbing content). Jessica Alba stars in this remake of the 2002 horror film from Hong Kong about a blind violinist haunted by frightening visions after her sight is restored by a double corneal transplant operation. With Parker Posey, Francois Chau, and Chloe Moretz.

Fool's Gold (PG-13 for violence, profanity, sexuality and brief nudity). Kate Hudson and Matthew McConaughey co-star in this action comedy about a just-divorced couple who rekindle their romance after reuniting to search for a sunken treasure buried aboard a Spanish sailing ship lost at sea in 1715. Supporting cast includes Donald Sutherland, Malcolm-Jamal Warner and Brian Hooks.

Hannah Montana & Miley Cyrus (G). 3-D concert flick features performances by the phenomenally-popular, 14 year-old, Disney singing sensation, shot in Utah during last year's, 54-city, Best of Both Worlds Tour.

In Bruges (R for pervasive profanity, graphic violence and drug use). Mob comedy about a couple of hit men (Colin Farrell and Brendan Gleeson) sent by their boss (Ralph Fiennes) to unwind in Belgium for a couple of weeks after an assignment in London goes horribly wrong.

Jumper (PG-13 for intense violence, brief sexuality and some profanity). Time-travel sci-fi thriller, based on the Steven Gould novel of the same name, about a genetic anomaly (Hayden Christensen) able to teleport himself anywhere who finds himself embroiled in a war that has been raging for eons between "Jumpers" and their sworn enemies, the "Paladins." With Samuel L. Jackson, Jamie Bell, Diane Lane, Tom Hulce and AnnaSophia Robb.

Juno (PG-13 for profanity, premarital sexuality, and mature themes). Coming-of-age dramatic comedy about a pregnant teen (Ellen Page) who divides her time between getting to know the father (Michael Cera) and bonding with the couple (Jennifer Garner and Jason Bateman) about to adopt her unborn baby. Cast includes Allison Janney, J.K. Simmons, and Rainn Wilson.

The Kite Runner (PG-13 for violence, brief profanity, child rape, and mature themes). Adaptation of Khaled Hosseini's bestseller about the quest for redemption of a well-to-do Afghani-American immigrant (Khalid Abdalla) who returns to his native Afghanistan during the reign of the Taliban to find his childhood friend Hassan (Ahmad Khan Mahmidzada), whom he had betrayed and left behind 20 years earlier.

Meet the Spartans (PG-13 for profanity, sexuality, crude humor, and slapstick violence). Silly spoof of *300* from the purveyors of parodies who brought us *Scary Movie*, *Date Movie*, and *Epic Movie*. Besides the Spartan saga, this irreverent comedy satirizes everything from *Transformers*, *Rocky Balboa*, *You Got Served*, Britney Spears, *Ghost Rider*, and Paris Hilton. Cast includes Carmen Electra, Method Man, and Diedrich Bader.

Persepolis (PG-13 for sexual references, profanity, mature themes, violent images and brief drug use). Feminist animated adventure, set at the dawn of the Iranian revolution in the late seventies, chronicles the resistance to the oppressive, fundamentalist Islamic regime displayed by a defiant young girl (Chiara Mastroianni) followed from the age of 9 to 24. (In French, Persian, German and English with subtitles)

Rambo (R for profanity, sexual assaults, grisly images, and graphic violence). After 20 years, Sylvester Stallone reprises the title role of Vietnam vet John Rambo, now returning to Southeast Asia to lead a team of mercenaries on a mission to save Christian mercenaries kidnapped by Burmese soldiers. With Julie Benz, Matthew Marsden, and Tim Kang.

The Savages (R for sexuality and profanity). Dysfunctional family drama about the sibling rivalry which re-arises between a brother (Philip Seymour Hoffman) and sister (Laura Linney) when they both move back home to care for their senile father (Philip Bosco).

The Spiderwick Chronicles (PG for peril, mature themes, frightening images and action violence). Escapist fantasy about twin brothers (Freddie Highmore) who, along with their sister (Sarah Bolger), discover a magical world filled with fairies and scary creatures soon after moving with their mother (Mary-Louise Parker) from New York City to their great, great Uncle Arthur's (David Strathairn) secluded, rundown country estate.

Step Up 2 the Streets (PG-13 for profanity, suggestive material and brief violence). Foot-stomping sequel features Briana Evigan as an orphaned street-dancer who falls in love with a classmate (Robert Hoffman) from the other side of the tracks at the prestigious Maryland School for the Arts. With only a cameo by the star of the original, Channing Tatum.

There Will Be Blood (R for violence). Daniel Day-Lewis stars in this adaptation of *Oil!*, Upton Sinclair's classic, 1927 epic novel chronicling the life of a self-made, California oil tycoon. With Paul Dano, Kevin J. O'Connor, and Ciaran Hinds.

Untraceable (R for profanity, torture, and grisly violence). Diane Lane stars in this cat-and-mouse thriller as an FBI agent on the trail of a cyber serial killer who broadcasts his murders over the internet live on his own website. Cast includes Colin Hanks, Mary Beth Hurt, and Billy Burke.

Vantage Point. (PG-13 for intense violence, disturbing images and brief profanity). Political potboiler examines an attempted assassination of the President of the United States (William Hurt) from the varying perspectives of eight eyewitnesses. Ensemble cast includes Forest Whitaker, Dennis Quaid, Sigourney Weaver, Zoe Saldana, Matthew Fox, Eduardo Noriega, Richard T. Jones and Bruce McGill.

Vince Vaughn's Wild West Comedy Show (R for sexual humor and pervasive profanity). Concert flick chronicles emcee Vince Vaughn presenting four of his favorite comedians, Ahmed Ahmed, John Caparulo, Bret Ernst and Sebastian Maniscalco, as they crisscross the country, performing in 30 cities in 30 days.

Welcome Home Roscoe Jenkins (PG-13 for profanity, crude humor, sexual content and drug references). Martin Lawrence plays the title role in this ensemble comedy about a popular, Hollywood talk-show host who finds himself cut down to size during a family reunion after he travels back to his Georgia roots for his parents' 50th anniversary. Cast includes Michael Clarke Duncan, Mo'Nique, Mike Epps, Cedric the Entertainer, Nicole Ari Parker and Joy Bryant.

Witless Protection. (PG-13 for crude and sex-related humor). Larry the Cable Guy stars in this mob comedy about a small-town sheriff in Mississippi who mistakenly kidnaps a woman (Jenny McCarthy) in the witness protection program from the four FBI agents assigned to guard her until trial. Supporting cast includes Joe Mantegna, Yaphet Kotto and Peter Stormare.

—Kam Williams

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Sports

PU Men's Lacrosse Boasts Stifling Defense But Offensive Progress Holds Key to Title Run

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"We will hold people down if Alex [Hewit] has the year we are expecting at goalie," said Princeton head coach Bill Tierney. "If we can score in double figures, we should win most games."

In 2007, Princeton's failure to be prolific offensively kept a good team from turning into a national title contender.

The Tigers went 10-4, with three of those losses coming by one goal and Princeton scoring no more than eight goals in any of its setbacks.

Last spring, Princeton lost to eventual national champion Johns Hopkins and Virginia in overtime by identical 7-6 scores and fell to Georgetown 9-8 in overtime in the opening round of the NCAA tournament.

This Saturday, fifth-ranked Princeton will get the chance to show whether it has the makings of a high-powered attack when it hosts Canisius in the season opener for both teams.

With the memory of the heartbreaking defeats fresh in the team's memory, Tierney is looking for a little extra effort from everyone on the squad.

"Everyone is going to be more active," asserted Tierney, the Hall of Fame coach who is 218-77 in his 20-year Princeton tenure with six national titles. "Each person has to do one more little thing on the field."

While it wouldn't seem like Hewit could do much more for the Tigers, the preseason first-team All-American is on a mission.

"Alex is geared up for his final year," asserted Tierney of the 5'10, 200-pound native of New Vernon who had a 6.33 goals against average last year.

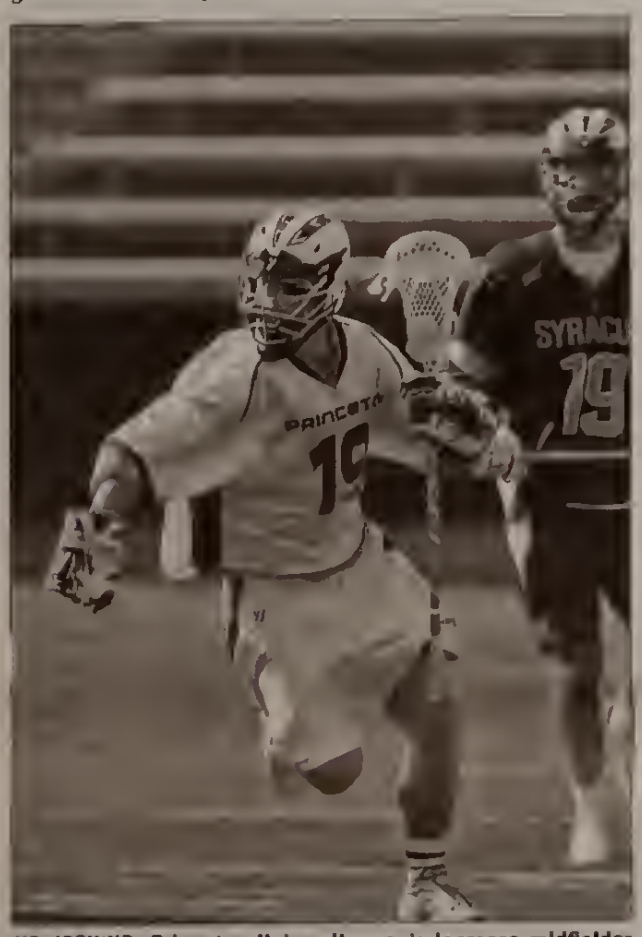
"He's already had success but he feels like he has to earn that back through the team's success. I think he wants to walk out of here as a first-team All-American like he did his sophomore year. He's a devoted captain and he's excited for the big games we have early in the season. He wants to show that he can hold those teams."

The rest of the Princeton defense has the ability and experience to hold most opponents.

The unit is led by powerful senior Dan Cocoziello, a 6'0, 230-pound tank who was named first-team preseason All-American and heady junior Chris Peyser.

"We have lost two great defenders in Zach Jungers and John Bennett to graduation," said Tierney, whose club gave up 6.17 goals a game last season.

"Dan hurt his foot last year and it's still bothering him but he'll play through it. Peyser is very underrated; he's a coach on the field. Jeremy Hirsch is a sophomore; he'll take Jungers' spot from last year. Senior Peter Trentman played well when he got in last year. Our successful teams have had seniors step up after not playing a lot in their first three years."



NO JOSHING: Princeton University men's lacrosse midfielder Josh Lesko races up the field in a game last season. The Tigers will be looking for increased production from junior Lesko and the midfield as they look to improve on last year's 10-4 mark.

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One of Princeton's top offensive weapons figures to be junior mid-fielder Mark Kovler, a second-team preseason All-American pick after scoring 23 goals last year.

"Shooting is his thing but his role has expanded," said Tierney, whose group of offensive midfielders includes senior co-captain Bob Schneider, senior Peter Striebel, and Mike Gaudio. "He's a big boy now and he is going to draw a lot of attention."

The Tigers' defensive middie unit features short stick stars senior Zack Goldberg and junior Brendan Reilly.

DEFENSIVE STANO: Princeton University men's lacrosse goalie Alex Hewit guards the cage in action last year. Senior co-captain Hewit, who boasts a career goals against average of 6.40, will be a pivotal figure this spring for the Tigers. Princeton starts its 2008 season when it hosts Canisius on February 23.

(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)

"They are fabulous players," maintained Tierney, whose corps of defensive midfielders includes Josh Lesko, Charlie Kolkin, and Rich Sgalardi.

"Our two short sticks can cover a lot of people. Tim Palmer, a freshman, is in the mix. Jeff Izant is a veteran who is very athletic."

Of course, the big question centers around who is going to emerge on attack, particularly with the graduation of Peter Trombino, the first player in program history to have at least 20 goals and 10 assists all four seasons.

"We're trying to figure that out," said Tierney, whose team averaged 9.79 goals a game last year.

"We have some experienced players in Alex Haynie (10 goals and eight assists in 2007) and Tommy Davis (18 goals and 17 assists in 2007). Greg Seaman has been a pleasant surprise; he is really slick and nifty."

The answer to the questions surrounding Princeton's attack may come from a pair of freshmen, the McBride cousins, Chris and Jack. The highly touted recruits combined for 109 goals last year while playing for the Delbarton School.

"They are young but they will have an impact," said Tierney, noting that sophomores Scott MacKenzie and Rob Engelke should also see action on attack.

"Their roles will expand as the season goes on. They are two attackers who will go to the net if you don't pay attention to them."

Although the Tigers have had an up-and-down preseason as they play catchup with teams who start practice earlier, Tierney likes the mindset he sees around his squad.

"The attitude is great, we have a positive chemistry," said Tierney. "The captains are great and we have other guys like Peyser and Kolkin who are great leaders."

Tierney will be looking for those leaders to step up when the Tigers host Canisius.

"They are always tough," said Tierney, whose club pulled away to an 18-7 win over Canisius in the 2007 season opener.

"We don't see them and they have a lot of Canadian kids. They have some great freshmen and they play with a lot of emotion. We don't have a scouting report on them so we have to concentrate on ourselves and getting better which is what we need to do right now."

—Bill Alden

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Savage Bombs Away for Career Night But PU Men's Hoops Comes Up Short

With the Princeton University men's basketball team coming into its clash Saturday with visiting Brown mired in a four-game losing streak, the Tigers turned to senior co-captain Noah Savage to get them on the right track.

After scoring nine points in Princeton's disappointing 67-56 loss to Yale on Friday, Savage was on fire from the start against Brown.

The 6'5 220-pound Savage scored 10 points in the first half as Princeton built a 25-21 lead by intermission.

In the first 12 minutes of the second half, Savage poured in 13 points as the Tigers increased their advantage to 49-39.

The smooth-shooting former Hun School star kept firing away as Brown made a late rally. With 10 seconds left in the second half, Savage buried a three-pointer to give Princeton a 59-57 lead and raise his total on the evening to 31 points.

But Brown knotted the game at 59-59 on two free throws to force the contest into overtime.

SHOOTING STAR: Princeton University men's basketball senior forward Noah Savage lofts a jumper on his way to a career-high 35 points in Princeton's 65-63 overtime loss to visiting Brown last Saturday. Princeton, which has now lost five straight, will look to get back on the winning track when it plays at Harvard on February 22 and at Dartmouth on February 23.

(Photo by Stephen Goldsmith)

In the extra session, Savage added two free throws and a bucket to end with a career-high 35 points but it ultimately wasn't enough as Princeton dropped a 65-63 heartbreaker before a crowd of 2,532 at Jadwin Gym.

Brown head coach Craig Robinson, a former Princeton standout, knew that his team was lucky to survive Savage's onslaught.

"That kid had a terrific game," said Robinson. "That's one of those things where I'm glad he had a terrific game and that we won because that's one of those career games that can knock you for a loop. We thought we had a hand on everybody else but that kid had a wonderful night."

Princeton head coach Sydney Johnson was glad to have Savage on his side.

"Noah obviously felt good, 35 points is a lot of points," said Johnson, whose team fell to 5-17 overall and 2-5 in Ivy League play.

"He showed some leadership as did Kyle [Koncz]. Kyle had a poor shooting night but the response from both of them was tremendous. It's not good enough, we understand that, but to overlook the effort these young men are giving I wouldn't feel good about myself as a leader. I applaud them for that but we came up short and that's tremendously disappointing."

Savage, for his part, took little consolation from his scoring outburst.

"It's the same as any other loss, that's how I look at it," said Savage, who shot 11-of-17 from the field including 7-of-11 from the three-point range as he outdid his previous career high of 28.

"The difference in the game was down the stretch. Their captain was tough enough to make his free throws and I didn't make mine. If I am going to step up and have a game like this, I need to do it the whole way."

Still, Savage liked the way the team responded as it tried to bounce back from the loss to Yale which saw the Tigers blow a late five-point lead.

"We did respond the right way, no one was hanging their heads," said Savage, who entered Saturday averaging 7.9 points a game. "We played with energy and that's what you want to see. I just wish we could have won the game, the payoff from bouncing back is sweet."

Even though Princeton is mired in a five-game losing streak and stands sixth in the Ivy League standings, Savage vows that the team will keep showing that energy.

"It's tough to get too down with this guy as a coach," said Savage, motioning to Johnson.

"Your natural inclination is that we're losing and to get down. He doesn't let us get down, getting down doesn't help anything. All we are going to do is to show up on Tuesday and do what we are doing but try to do it a little better."

First-year coach Johnson, for his part, credited his players with hanging in there.

"I could try to pick them up and they could say coach we want to quit," said Johnson, whose team plays at Harvard on February 22 and at Dartmouth on February 23.

"That has nothing to do with me. That's Noah and Kyle and every kid in that locker room. Don't look at me, look at these young men and how they have responded. I think it says a tremendous amount about their understanding of what this program is all about,. We're having a tough, tough season yet we are going to fight."

As Savage heads down the home stretch of his career, he is hoping that Princeton's fighting spirit will help it pull out some games the rest of the way.

"We have had a lot of close losses in my career, too many," said Savage.

"It would just be nice to finish out a game and have that feeling of winning. That's a habit as much as anything else, knowing how to close out a game and how to do it all the way through."

—Bill Alden

HARD TO BEAR: Princeton University men's basketball sophomore center Zach Finley finds the going tough as he heads to the basket in Princeton's 65-63 overtime loss to Brown last Saturday. Finley chipped in 12 points and four rebounds in the loss to the Bears as Princeton dropped to 5-17 overall and 2-5 in Ivy League play.

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College Expenses of a Child of Divorced Parents

As a divorce lawyer, clients frequently ask me whether their ex-spouses are required to contribute towards their children's education now that the couple is divorced? Most often these clients were divorced when the children were very young and college expenses were simply not contemplated.

There is a New Jersey Supreme Court case which has set forth guidelines to help determine when a divorced parent is responsible for contributing towards his or her child's education. Newburgh v. Arrigo, 88 N.J. 529 (1982), gives twelve factors to be balanced when considering the obligation to pay college expenses:

(1) whether the parent, if still living with the child, would have contributed toward the cost of the requested higher education;

(2) the effect of the background, values and goals of the parent on the reasonableness of the expectation of the child for higher education,

(3) the amount of the contribution sought by the child for the cost of higher education,

(4) the ability of the parent to pay that cost,

(5) the relationship of the requested contribution to the kind of school or course of study sought by the child,

(6) the financial resources of both parents;

(7) the commitment to and aptitude of the child for the requested education,

(8) the financial resources of the child, including assets owned individually or held in custodianship or trust,

(9) the ability of the child to earn income during the school year or on vacation;

(10) the availability of financial aid in the form of college grants and loans;

(11) the child's relationship to the paying parent, including mutual affection and shared goals, as well as responsiveness to parental advice and guidance; and

(12) the relationship of the education requested to any prior training and to the overall long-range goals of the child.

No one factor is dispositive, the Court weighs each of the factors based on the unique circumstances of each case. For example, if the child has had virtually no contact with the ex-spouse since the child was young, and the ex-spouse had no input in the college selection process, the Court might choose to weigh the child's lack of relationship to the ex-spouse a bit more heavily in light of the other contributing factors on the above list. This scenario is particularly clear when the child chooses to attend an extremely expensive private college, such as Harvard, when the child had the option to attend a less expensive school, such as Rutgers. This is because the New Jersey Family Courts are reluctant to simply treat the ex-spouse as a wallet, when he or she had no input regarding such a major decision or its cost.

However, that is not to say that Courts will not require a parent to pay for a school such as Harvard, even if there has been minimal contact between the ex-spouse and the child. The above scenario is simply utilized to give a concrete example of a situation when the Court might weigh one of the twelve factors set forth in Newburgh more heavily. Should the child meet all of the other criteria on the list, the Court will likely require the ex-spouse to contribute towards college.

Should the issue of college expenses arise between you and an ex-sponse there are some simple general questions to ask yourself. First, did you and your ex-spouse plan to send your child to college as a married couple? Second, did you and your ex-spouse plan to financially support your child in their higher educational endeavors when you were an intact family? If the answer to both of these questions is yes, then you should consult an attorney to help you determine the likelihood of success of obtaining contribution towards college expenses.

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Princeton Women's Hockey Ties Dartmouth, Needs to Sharpen Up as Playoffs Approach

Perhaps fueled by the emotions from Senior Night, the Princeton University women's hockey team came out flying last Saturday night against visiting Dartmouth.

Skating circles around the Big Green, the Tigers built a 12-3 edge in shots in the first period.

One of the Princeton seniors, co-captain Lizzie Keady, helped the Tigers get the lead as she assisted on a score by Melanie Wallace.

The Tigers' other senior co-captain, Marykate Oakley, had a hand in Princeton doubling its lead as she assisted with Sasha Sherry on a second period goal by Annie Greenwood.

But trailing 2-0 heading into the third period, Dartmouth showed some emotion of its own, battling back with two goals, including one with 42 seconds left in regulation, to force overtime.

Neither team could find the back of the net in the five-minute overtime session and the contest ended in a 2-2 stalemate.

The tie was a blow to Princeton as looks forward to the upcoming ECAC Hockey League playoffs.

The Tigers ended the weekend trailing fourth-place Dartmouth by three points and looking at going on the road for the best-of-three ECACHL quarterfinals.

A subdued Keady admitted that she was disappointed by the Tigers' failure to close the deal against Dartmouth.

"We just want to make sure that we play all 60 minutes," said Keady, who now has 17 points in her senior campaign. "In general everyone is working hard; we're starting to all get on the same page."

Keady admitted that there is a sense of urgency as she heads into the stretch drive of her career.

"Hopefully you try and get up for the games over four years," said Keady. "Now every game matters more, we are down to the wire."

Princeton head coach Jeff Kampersal liked the sense of urgency his team showed over the weekend as it moved to 12-9-6 overall and 10-7-3 in ECACHL play.

"If we could capture the intensity we had this weekend, we could be pretty dangerous in the next little while and the playoffs," said Kampersal, whose team battled No. 1 Harvard tooth-and-nail Friday before succumbing 3-1 on two late goals.

"We have two games to go to tune up for the playoffs. We need to play our best and finish the opportunities that we work so hard to give ourselves."

Kampersal was disappointed that Princeton didn't take advantage of its chances in the tie with Dartmouth.

"It was frustrating; it was a game of momentum," said Kampersal, whose team plays at St. Lawrence on February 22 and at Clarkson on February 23.

"I thought we had it in the first period. Then they took it from us in the first 10 minutes of the second period until we scored that S-on-3 goal. Dartmouth is obviously a good team and they came out and played really strong in the third period."

In Kampersal's view, his club needs to have some better execution to go along with its intensity.

"The kids have a lot of heart and soul," said Kampersal. "I'm proud of their effort for sure. It's a matter of executing and getting the win rather than the tie."

If Princeton has to go on the road for the playoffs, Kampersal believes his team's heart will help them deal with that scenario.

"The kids are tough at home or on the road, it really doesn't matter," said Kampersal.

"Sometimes being on the road may be better, you get away and focus. You stay in a hotel and they get their minds off of school for a little while."

Kampersal is depending on his seniors to show some toughness as they close out their Princeton careers.

"They came in as freshmen and it wasn't so easy for them from the beginning," said Kampersal, whose core of seniors includes Brittany Salmon, Sonja Novak, and Micol Martinelli in addition to Keady and Oakley.

"They are a resilient crew; they stuck to it and really worked hard. I'm proud of what they have accomplished in their careers."

Keady, for her part, is looking to add some more accomplishments to her resume.

"It's been a great experience," said Keady in reflecting on her Princeton career which has seen her score 77 points and play for the U.S. National Team.

"It's not over yet, hopefully we can pick it up towards the end. We just need to execute and do the simple things right and take advantage of our opportunities."

—Bill Alden

FIRING LINE: Princeton University women's hockey junior forward Annie Greenwood fires a shot in recent action. Last Saturday, Greenwood scored a goal as Princeton skated to a 2-2 tie with Dartmouth. Greenwood leads the Tigers in goals with 12. *(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)*

STRETCH DRIVE: Princeton University women's hockey senior forward Marykate Oakley controls the puck in a game earlier this season. Last Saturday, Oakley contributed an assist as Princeton tied Dartmouth 2-2. in upcoming action, Princeton, now 12-9-6 overall and 10-7-3 in ECAC Hockey league play, finishes up the regular season by playing at St. Lawrence on February 22 and at Clarkson on February 23.

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PU Roundup

Tiger Men's Squash Take 2nd at Nationals

Unable to slow the Trinity juggernaut, the Princeton University men's squash team fell to the Bantams 8-1 last Sunday in the CSA national championship match.

The win gave Trinity its 10th straight national crown while Ivy League champion Princeton ended its season with a 10-2 record.

"Trinity was remarkably strong today," said Princeton head coach Bob Callahan said afterwards. "They were too good for us. I am proud of the effort our team put forward all season and I congratulate Trinity for their performance over the weekend."

Princeton senior co-captain Tom McKay picked up Princeton's only win in the championship match as he posted a 5-9, 9-1, 9-5, 9-6 victory over Randy Lim at No. 7.

The Tigers had beaten Dartmouth 9-0 in the quarterfinals and Yale 7-2 in the semifinals to advance to the title showdown with Trinity.

Tiger Men's Volleyball Falls to No. 2 Penn State

The Princeton University men's volleyball team fell to No. 2 Penn State 30-19, 30-16, 33-31 last Saturday.

Princeton senior captain Peter Eichler recorded a match-best 15 kills and added four digs and three blocks while junior Brandon Denham had 33 assists.

In upcoming action, the Tigers host Rutgers-Newark on February 19, Mercyhurst on February 21, and Steven Tech on February 22.

PU Men's Swimming Tops Columbia

Led by double-winner Doug Lennox, the Princeton University men's swimming team beat visiting Columbia 171-121 last Saturday.

By virtue of the win, Princeton's seniors complete their careers without having lost a dual meet at DeNunzio Pool.

Lennox picked up wins in the 200 butterfly and 100 freestyle. Other individual winners for Princeton included Robert Griest in the 1000 free, Chris Quemana in the 200 free, A.J. Walker in the 100 and 200 backstroke races, John LaMonaca in the 100 breaststroke, Geoff Faux in the 50 free, and Michael Carter in the 100 butterfly.

The Tigers are next in action when they compete in the Eastern Intercollegiate Swimming League (EISL) Championship meet at Harvard from March 6-8.

PU Women's Hoops Posts Weekend Split

Getting off to a hot start, the Princeton University women's basketball team cruised to a 70-56 win at Brown last Saturday.

The Tigers jumped out to an early 19-9 lead and pushed its advantage to 33-15 at one point in the first half.

The win snapped a five-game losing skid for the Tigers, who improved to 5-18 overall and 2-5 in Ivy League play.

Senior star Meg Cowher led the way for Princeton, scoring 24 points, giving her 1,541 points in her career, good for fourth place in program history. Whitney Downs added 19 points including four three-pointers to pass her previous career-best of 17 points. Caitlin O'Neill joined the group with double-digit point totals with 10.

A night earlier, Princeton lost at Yale 78-57 as Cowher scored 17 points. Princeton hosts Harvard on February 22 and Dartmouth on February 23.

Tiger Women's Hoops Hosting "Think Pink" Day

The Princeton University women's basketball program will participate in the national "Think Pink" program on February 23 when the Tigers host Dartmouth.

Princeton is one of more than 700 schools and organizations nationwide taking part in an initiative which is sponsored by the Women's Basketball Coaches Association to promote awareness of and contribute to the fight against breast cancer.

All fans who wear pink will gain free admission to Princeton's Feb. 23 game against Dartmouth at 6 p.m. The Tigers will be wearing pink jerseys as part of the event and fans will be able to bid on the jerseys in a silent auction. "Think Pink" t-shirts will also be available for $15. All proceeds from the silent action will go to local breast cancer organizations.

Jadwin Gym will open for fans at 5 p.m. and the Tigers hope to have a record crowd on hand to participate in the event.

"Think Pink" began as a WBCA initiative last season with more than 120 schools participating. At the national level, the WBCA is partnering with the Kay Yow/WBCA Cancer Fund, named for the longtime North Carolina State women's basketball coach who is fighting breast cancer.

Locally, Princeton has teamed up with Princeton HealthCare System's Breast Health Center, the YWCA Princeton's Breast Cancer Resource Center and Princeton Against Cancer Together, a student group, to provide information on the fight against breast cancer.

PU Women's Track Prevails at H-Y-P

The Princeton University women's track team won a close tri-meet Saturday with Harvard and Yale in New Haven, using the strength of its distance corps and strong performances by several freshmen to earn the victory.

The Tigers finished the meet with 62 points, with Harvard in second with 58, and Yale third with 39 points.

A highlight of the night for Princeton was a 1-2-3 finish in the mile as Liz Costello ran 4:43.5 to win the event, while classmate Christy Johnson was right behind in 4:44.84 and freshman Ashley Higginson's 4:48 was third.

Higginson proved to be one of the meet's heroes for Princeton as she also ran the 3,000, winning the event in 9:43.42, an ECAC qualifying mark. Fellow freshman Sarah Cummings was right behind in second, while sophomore Alexa Glencer was third. Princeton clinched the meet thanks to its winning two-mile relay group, which won by nearly seven seconds in 9:05.91.

Princeton also got a win from freshman Thanithia Billings in the shot put. Her toss of 44' 3½" was an easy winner Saturday.

The Tigers will host the Princeton Invitational on February 23 at the Lawrenceville School track.

PU Women's Water Polo Splits Opening Weekend

The 18th-ranked Princeton University women's water polo team went 2-2 on the weekend as it began its season by hosting the Princeton Invitational.

In action Sunday, Princeton topped Harvard 14-10 while losing 9-5 to 15th-ranked Michigan. Sophomore Lauren Sabb scored five goals in the two games.

The Tigers had opened the weekend by beating Siena 12-1 and losing to San Diego State 11-6. Freshman Tanya Wilcox started her college career in style by scoring four goals on the day.

In upcoming action, Princeton hosts Wagner on February 20 before heading to College Park, Md. to play in the Maryland Invitational where it will face Slippery Rock on February 22 and St. Francis and Iona on February 23.

MOORE PROGRESS: Princeton University men's hockey senior captain Mike Moore glides up the ice in recent action. Last Saturday, Moore chipped in two assists as Princeton won 5-2 at Dartmouth. The victory gave the Tigers their first outright Ivy League championship and the program's first Ivy title since sharing the crown with Yale in 1999. Princeton is now 15-10 overall and 12-5 in ECAC Hockey League play, good for second place. In upcoming action, the 17th-ranked Tigers host Colgate on February 22 and Cornell on February 23.

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With Cava Helping to Set the Right Tone, PHS Girls' Swimmers Make Sectional Final

Elizabeth Cava and her teammates on the Princeton High girls' swimming team didn't know what to expect as they faced undefeated Point Pleasant Beach last Friday in the Public B Central Jersey sectional semifinals.

"We didn't know what the outcome was going to be so we just swam our hardest," said Cava, a senior co-captain.

After PHS could only muster a second in the meet-opening 200 medley relay, Cava and classmate Kathleen Morrison got the Little Tigers rolling in the 200 free as Morrison placed first while Cava was a strong second.

In the next race, PHS sophomore Victoria Cassidy won the 200 individual medley with Kiersten Holswade taking third. The Little Tigers then posted a one-three finish in the 50 free with senior star Jordan Shapiro winning the race and Rachel Boyce taking third.

Top-seeded PHS never looked back as it cruised to a 97-73 win, setting up a sectional final with No. 3 Ocean Township slated for February 19.

In Cava's view, the first two individual races made a critical difference. "Just all of us swimming really fast in the beginning set the tone for the meet," said Cava.

"I think it was really important for the 200 free and the 200 IM to dominate and continue it from there. I think everyone worked really hard."

The 500 free was a highlight for PHS as Morrison took first with Cava next and Little Tiger freshman star Katherine Rizk taking third.

"The 500 was really great, I was so happy after that," said Cava. "I just wanted to get out of the pool and do the 200 free relay. It was awesome, everybody was really, really excited."

It was exciting for Cava to team up with longtime friend Morrison for another one-two finish.

"We've been best friends since we have been really little," said Cava. "We have been training together for a really long time now, we both swim for the same club team Eastern Express. We just work really hard together. We push each other really hard. It makes me want to go faster and I push her, too."

Cava is glad that she has helped the Little Tigers push on to another sectional final.

"It feels real great just continuing on," said Cava. "Senior year has been awesome and it's a great way to end my final season."

In Cava's view, there could be some more great things ahead in her final campaign.

"Everyone is peaking right now," asserted Cava. "I'm pretty confident of all us swimming really well. If we swim our hearts out, we can do really, really well."

PHS head coach Greg Hand liked the way his swimmers put their heart into things in the meet.

"The team's mindset was really good, the girls sustained themselves," said Hand, whose team improved to 10-3 with the win.

"They took advantage of the fact that they had a really good start and they kept rolling. We know Kathleen and Elizabeth so well that we knew they would give us a good performance in the 200 free. Likewise with Victoria in the IM."

Hand viewed the 1-2-3 sweep in the 500 free as testament to the team's superb competitive attitude.

"There are two things to take note of with that race," said Hand.

"First, the girls have a sense of swimming the whole meet and not predicting anything which is a terrific mentality. The second thing is that we knew we were going to get a good job from Kathleen and Elizabeth who we needed it from. I think Katherine Rizk had a really hard challenge from the girl right next to her and she swam another competitive race."

Hand has enjoyed seeing the squad rise to the challenges down the season's homestretch.

"We have had a lot of growth as a team; the improvements we are seeing in the last few meets shows a lot of commitment," said Hand.

"Take Carly and Amanda Blick; their improvement is rooted in the two years when we didn't need them to score. Some kids are fast when they come in and other kids really develop over a long time. You don't judge character by how fast they are when they start; you look at how they train, how committed they are and how they deal with the frustrations and challenges."

PHS' group of seniors, which includes Morrison, Cava, Shapiro, and Paige Johnson, has helped instill a special character in the team.

"They are a completely committed group," said Hand. "They are warmhearted and unassuming. They are confident in a good way; confident that they are always going to give their best."

Cava, for her part, has gained a special confidence as a result of her PHS swimming experience.

"I think it has turned me into a really spirited person and a great leader," said Cava, who is heading to Lehigh University and hopes to continue her swimming career there.

"I think it has been a really good preparation for the next part of my life."

—Bill Alden

BACKING TRACK: Princeton High girls' swimming sophomore standout Victoria Cassidy churns her way to a second place finish in the 100 backstroke last Friday in the Little Tigers' 97-73 win over Point Pleasant Beach in the Public B Central Jersey sectional semifinals. The top-seeded Little Tigers were slated to face No. 3 Ocean Township in the sectional finals on February 19.

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BEACH PARTY: Princeton High girls' swimming senior star Kathleen Morrison powers to victory in the 500 freestyle in the Public B Central Jersey sectional semifinals last Friday. Morrison also won the 200 free as top-seeded PHS posted a 97-73 win over fifth-seeded Point Pleasant Beach.

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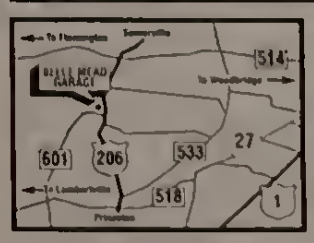

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Perkins Works Hard Until the Bitter End As PHS Boys' Swim Team Falls in States

Tim Perkins sat on the deck in exhaustion after swimming the opening leg in the final relay last Thursday for the Princeton High boys' swimming team in its sectional semifinal meet at Lawrence High.

Although powerful Lawrence had already clinched the meet by the time Perkins toed the starting block in the 400 free relay, the senior star was determined to give his best effort.

"We're going to go out with a bang," said Perkins, who helped PHS place first in the relay as they fell 101-69 to the Cardinals.

"Just because we aren't going to win the meet doesn't mean that we aren't going to try hard. Being a good sportsman and a good athlete means you never quit even if you are going to lose."

For Perkins, those last four laps were the culmination of the team's focus on the mental aspect of competition.

"Ever since we started training for the post season half the training has been in the pool and other half has been mentally," said Perkins.

"We've come a long way in terms of working out without complaining that the workout is hard or saying I don't think that we can't beat the other team."

Team captain Perkins and co-captain Brad Dewey have gone out of their way to set a serious tone for the Little Tigers.

"We're all a bunch of teenagers so we have had to stop us from messing around all the time," said Perkins.

"As a captain you have to set an example just to let everyone know without telling them what's going on and what are we supposed to be doing right now."

In Perkins' view, doing what he was supposed to do meant giving his best effort against Lawrence.

"The score is not really a big deal; I thought we could give them a run for their money," added Perkins, who finished second in both the 50 free and 100 backstroke races, getting touched out in both events.

"We definitely showed up today and we made them work for it. There were a lot of really close races today."

PHS head coach Greg Hand liked the way his team pushed the Cardinals as the meet was tied 31-31 after four events.

"I think today the idea was that we were swimming against a team we were quite familiar with," said Hand, who got a victory in the 200 individual medley from Alex Zantal and a win in the 200 medley relay.

"We expected them to be ready and it was a great opportunity for us to finish hard and see how fast we are. In that sense we couldn't have asked any more of the guys. They did everything they could in the pool today."

Hand believed that his team did everything it could over the course of the season to reach its potential. "The coaches are very pleased with our team," asserted Hand.

"We improved enough during the season to earn a decent seed in the states with a small team and a relatively inexperienced team. They really took on the challenges of training and the challenges of team building, figuring out over the course of the season how strong their commitment was going to be. We kept getting better in all of those dimensions."

A key factor in that development was the leadership provided by Perkins and Dewey.

"They are two of the least egotistical fellows I have met in high school sports," said Hand.

"When Bob Bradley was the university soccer coach, he used to talk about honest athletes. On the soccer field, that meant guys who always hustled back on defense. In the swimming world, I think that has to do with how you take every minute of every training session across a season and then extend that across an entire career. That's what we got from those guys; their leadership was extraordinary."

In Hand's view, that leadership had an impact on his team's younger swimmers.

"We don't have a big nucleus coming back but we do have a nucleus coming back that can grow from this year's experience," said Hand, whose team ended the season with a 7-6 record.

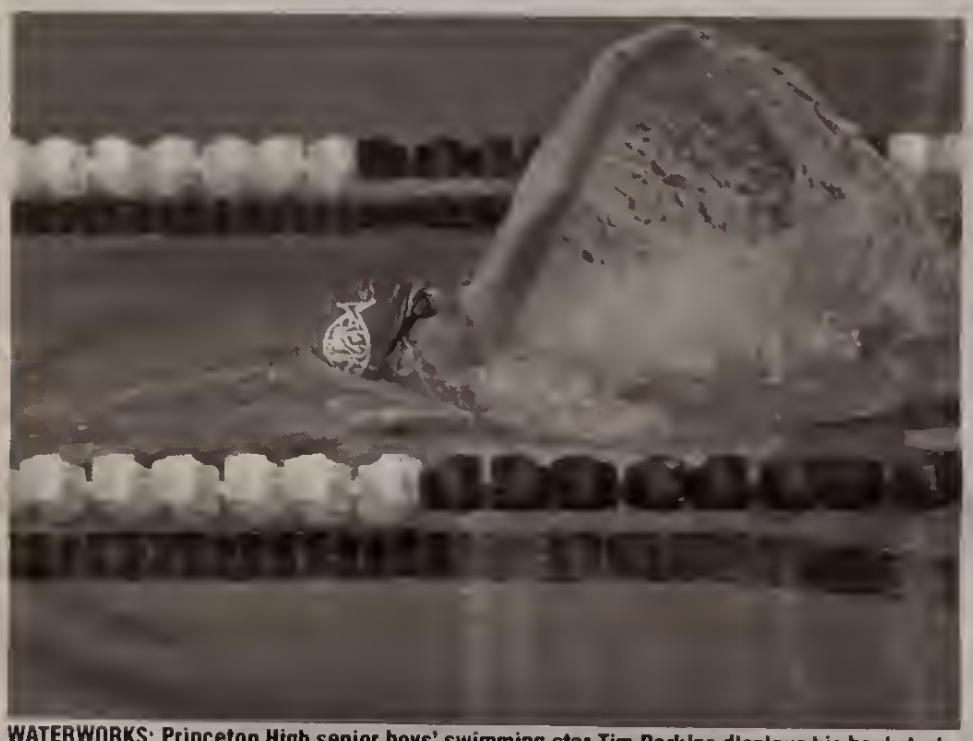
"That is going to bring the commitment of sustaining the idea of excellence into next year. They will need to take responsibility for self improvement but also take responsibility for what the team turns out to be. We want all of the kids to be fit regardless of what they are doing in the offseason."

Perkins, for his part, believes that swimming with PHS has helped him become a much more responsible person.

"It's been such a growing experience with swimming," asserted Perkins.

"It has affected my life socially, mentally, and physically. It's given me more determination; I have become a better athlete. Mr. Hand has taught me to view things much differently than I would have if I had never swum for this team."

—Bill Alden



WATERWORKS: Princeton High senior boys' swimming star Tim Perkins displays his backstroke form. Last Thursday, Perkins placed second in the 100 back as fourth-seeded PHS fell 101-69 at No. 1 Lawrence in the Public B Central Jersey sectional semifinal. *(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)*

SENIOR MOMENT: Princeton High boys' swimming seniors, from left, Brad Dewey, Tim Perkins, and Derrick Lee pose with PHS head coach Greg Hand after the Little Tigers fell at Lawrence 101-69 in the Public B Central Jersey sectional semifinals. The loss left the Little Tigers with a final record of 7-6. *(Photo by Bern Gallagher)*

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Junior Goalie Jabs Sharp in Prep Title Game But PDS Boys' Hockey Falls to Mo-Beard

SUPER SAVER: Princeton Day School junior goalie Nick Jabs prepares to make a save in recent action. Last Wednesday, Jabs recorded 34 saves but it wasn't enough as PDS fell 4-0 to Morristown-Beard in the state Prep title game at Mennen Arena. The Panthers, now 11-6-2 on the year, were slated to host LaSalle on February 19 before facing Notre Dame on February 25 in the quarterfinals of the Mercer County Tournament. *(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)*

Midway through the second period of the state Prep boys' hockey championship game last Wednesday, a couple of Morristown-Beard players banged the board in frustration as Princeton Day School goalie Nick Jabs made yet another save.

The PDS junior goalie was on an island, making one stop after another as powerful Mo-Beard controlled the puck and hit Jabs with a barrage of shots.

In the first two periods of the contest at the Mennen Arena in Morristown, Mo-Beard outshot PDS 27-6 but the team headed into the second intermission knotted in a scoreless tie.

In the third period, Mo-Beard broke through with a goal with 12:48 left in the period and then added another, scored 3:47 later.

By the end of the evening, the PDS players skated off the ice with their heads down as they absorbed a 4-0 loss.

Even before hitting the ice last Wednesday, Jabs knew he was going to play a pivotal role for the Panthers.

"Coming into the game coach [Scott Bertoli] asked me if I was ready to make 30 or 40 saves and I said 'yeah,'" recalled Jabs. "It started in warm-ups; I felt good."

Jabs was forced to get into a rhythm quickly as he was under the gun almost from the opening face-off.

"I went out there and after the first couple of shots, it just started to click," said Jabs, who had 13 saves in the first period, including several point-blank stops.

Feeling that he was in a groove, Jabs thought PDS could ride his goaltending to title.

"Definitely, all the way up to their second goal, I thought we had a chance," said Jabs.

"Those two goals about halfway through the third period really killed us. They are a really good team; they have four lines on that team that can really skate. We just got worn down."

PDS head coach Bertoli acknowledged that Jabs kept his team in the contest.

"They carried the play in the first period and halfway through the second," said Bertoli.

"We had a little spell for about five or six minutes in the second period where we had a few opportunities. Let's be honest, if it wasn't for Nick it could have been two or three to nothing in each period."

The second-year coach, however, thought his team could steal one if it capitalized on some opportunities.

"I told the guys going into the third period that if we are going to win this game it's going to be by 1-0 or 2-1," said Bertoli.

"We weren't going to score three or four goals. To give up that early goal in the third period was kind of deflating."

It was also deflating for PDS to be at less than full strength as they battled the Crimson.

"At the end of the day, we aren't healthy," said Bertoli. "Clint O'Brien was sick, he wasn't very effective. Donovan is coming off of an injury and he still isn't where he needs to be. Brooks Herr got hurt halfway through the first period."

Still, Bertoli wasn't about to take away anything from what Mo-Beard accomplished as it won its second straight Prep crown.

"I'm not going to make excuses because they are a heckuva team," said Bertoli.

"They are deeper than we are. They probably have the best group of defensemen I've seen in terms of their ability to control the play."

Now the Panthers are in control of their destiny as they play in the Mercer County Tournament with seventh-seeded PDS facing No. 2 Notre Dame in the MCT quarterfinals on February 25.

"Our focus now is the county tournament, not to downplay the next two games," said Bertoli, whose team lost to St. Joe's Metuchen last Thursday to move to 11-6-2 on the season.

"We have lost three in a row and we don't want to go into the Notre Dame having lost five in a row and not feeling good about ourselves. We need to establish what was successful for us early in the year, trying to do the little things right."

Jabs, for his part, is looking forward to playing back in the county. "We felt a little stranded here today," said Jabs.

"We didn't have any support. We're hoping we'll get support from our fans at the Mercer County and that we'll be healthy by then."

If Jabs can get some support from his teammates, PDS could make a healthy tournament run.

—Bill Alden

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AIMING HIGH: Princeton High boys' basketball junior A.J. Oowers heads to the hoop in recent action. Last Friday, Oowers and the 10th-seeded Little Tigers couldn't get going offensively as they fell to No. 2 Trenton Catholic 86-49 in the Mercer County Tournament quarterfinals. In upcoming action, PHS, now 10-10, will make its first appearance in the state tournament since 2001 when the 13th-seeded Little Tigers play at No. 4 Monmouth Regional on February 26.

(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)

Hun

Boys' Basketball: Lance Goulbourne came up big but it wasn't enough as Hun fell to Hill 70-60 in the semifinals of the Mid-Atlantic Prep League (MAPL) tournament last Saturday. Senior star Goulbourne poured in 25 points while Sterling Melville added 11 as Hun ended the season with a final record of 13-11.

Boys' Hockey: Despite another big game from freshman star Peter Blackburn, Hun fell 3-2 to Hopewell Valley last Monday. Blackburn scored both goals for the Raiders, who moved to 8-11 on the season. In upcoming action, the 14th-seeded Raiders play No. 6 Lawrence in the Mercer County Tournament quarterfinals on February 25 at Mercer County Park.

Stuart

Basketball: Diamond Lewis had another big game but it wasn't enough as fourth-seeded Stuart fell 58-44 to No. 1 Rutgers Prep last Sunday in the state Prep B semifinals. Lewis poured in 27 points while Amber Bowman added 11 as the Tartans moved to 14-9. In upcoming action, Stuart will conclude its season by hosting WW/P-N on February 19 in a Mercer County Tournament consolation contest.

Lawrenceville

Boys' Basketball: Brian Kelly led the way as Lawrenceville topped Mercersburg 68-45 last Saturday in a consolation game in the Mid-Atlantic Prep League (MAPL) tournament. Kelly poured in 23 points as the Big Red finished the season with a 13-11 record.

Girls' Basketball: Lawrenceville ended its season by falling 60-52 to Blair last Saturday in a consolation game in the Mid-Atlantic Prep League (MAPL) tournament. The loss left the Big Red with a final record of 5-18.

PDS

Boys' Basketball: Despite another big game from Kenny Holzhammer, sixth-seeded PDS fell 74-54 to No. 2 Collegiate in the state Prep B semifinals. Holzhammer netted 17 points as the Panthers moved to 14-13 on the season. PDS wraps up the season when it hosts Robbinsville on February 20 in a Mercer County Tournament consolation game.

Girls' Basketball: Hannah Epstein and Tiffany Patterson had solid games but it wasn't enough as third-seeded PDS fell 77-31 to No. 2 Hun last Wednesday in the Prep A semifinals. Senior star Epstein netted 10 points while freshman standout Patterson scored 11. The loss left the Panthers with a final record of 12-12, a marked improvement on the 6-15 record PDS posted in 2006-07.

Girls' Ice Hockey: Senior star Noni Ammidon led the way, notching two goals as PDS topped Pingry 3-0 last Sunday in a consolation game in the WILHMA (Women's Interscholastic Hockey League of the Mid-Atlantic) tournament. Senior Katherine Levinton scored the other goal while junior goalie Bryanna Mayes made 28 saves. The Panthers, now 8-12-1, conclude their season by hosting Upland Country Day on February 21.

PHS

Girls' Basketball: Paced by freshman Laurel Kasel, PHS topped Ewing 47-43 last Thursday in a Mercer County Tournament consolation game. Kasel scored 18 points as the Little Tigers notched their first win of the season after 20 straight losses.

Girls' Ice Hockey: Haley Thompson scored twice but it wasn't enough as PHS fell 5-2 to Shady Side Academy (Pa.) last Sunday in the consolation round of the WIHLMA (Women's Interscholastic Hockey League of the Mid Atlantic) playoffs. Junior goalie Olivia Bayles made 16 saves for the Little Tigers, who finished their season with a 10-11-1 record.

LAST SHOT: Hun School girls ' basketball senior Morgan Cawley lofts a jumper in recent action. Last Sunday, Cawley and the Raiders fell 55-43 to Peddie in the championship game of the Mid-Atlantic Prep League (MAPL) tournament. Hun, now 19-7, will get another shot at powerful Peddie as they play the Falcons on February 20 in the state Prep A title game.

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Local Sports

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The 13-Prep program is designed to ease the players' introduction to the bigger field. The league encourages all former Little Leaguers to try at least one season playing on a major-league sized diamond. The players will only play games against other teams and leagues with 13-year-old players.

PCBRL also offer a Majors division for 14-15-year-olds, designed to advance the level of play for players who have already experienced one year of playing on the bigger field.

To register or to get more details about the programs, log onto the league's website at www.leaguelineup.com/pcbrl. The deadline for registration is February 29.

Princeton Little League Sets Tryout Schedule

Mandatory tryouts for the spring 2008 Princeton Little League baseball season will be held February 23 at the Hun School of Princeton from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. for players in the B Minor, A Minor, and Major divisions.

Players ages are calculated for Little League from April 30th. The league ages are as follows: T-ball 5-6, Instructional 6-7, B Minor 7-9, A Minor 9-11, and Majors 11-12. Children need to be at least seven-years-old by April 30th to play in B Minor (player pitch), eight-year-olds play in B Minor, 10-year-olds play in A Minor, and 12-year-olds play in the Majors.

Players must be registered to take part. Visit the league's website for more details at www.princetonlittleleague.com. Scholarships are available by contacting Sean Clancy at seclancy@comcast.net.

Princeton Special Sports Holding Baseball Sign-up

Princeton Special Sports (PSS), which provides youth sports programs to special needs children ages 4 through high school, is now registering players for its spring baseball season.

PSS Baseball plays on Sundays from 1:30 to 3 p.m. at the Community Park fields in Princeton from April 13 through June 23. The season fee is $50. PSS also offers full and partial scholarships. The registration deadline is March 15. For more information and to download a 2008 Player Registration form, please go to www.princetonspecialsports.com, e-mail pss@patmedia.net, or call Deborah Martin Norcross at (609) 249-5860.

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PGSA Softball League Registration Underway

Registration is now open for the Princeton Girls Softball Association's (PGSA) upcoming 2008 season.

The program will include the following leagues: a T-Ball Division–5- and 6-year-olds; Rookie Division–7- and 8-year-olds; Minor Division–9- and 10-year-olds; Major Division–11- and 12-year-olds; and a Junior Division 13-15-year-olds.

All girls wanting to play in the minor and major divisions will be required to attend evaluations which will take place in early March. The purpose of the evaluations is to make the teams fairly balanced.

The fees for the divisions are as follows: T-Ball-$30 if paid before February 22 and $45 thereafter; Rookies-$65 before February 22 and $100 thereafter; Minors-$85 before February 22 and $100 thereafter; Majors-$85 before February 15 and $100 thereafter; Junior-$95 before February 15 and $110 thereafter.

The team uniforms are included in the registration fee; jerseys, shorts, visors, and socks will be provided for all players.

The PGSA is planning to hold free clinics with those programs to take place in February through March.

Team practices are scheduled to start the first week of April with regular season games beginning in mid-April and running to Memorial Day.

Rookies will play and practice on Tuesday and Thursday. Minors will play and practice on Monday, Wednesday and/or Friday, Majors will play on Monday, Wednesday, Friday, and/or Saturday mornings. All games will be scheduled to start at 6 p.m. on week nights or 9 a.m. on weekends. T-ball will play on Sundays at 3 p.m.

Coaches and assistant coaches are needed and parents are encouraged to volunteer for those roles. In addition, the league is seeking young adult umpires and welcomes boys and girls 11 and older to apply. The league pays the umpires on a game-by-game basis.

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Princeton Recreation Day Camp Registration

Registration is underway for the Princeton Recreation Department summer day camp program.

The Princeton Recreation day camp is open to Princeton Borough/Township residents as well as children of municipal and public school employees.

The day camp is open to children who will be in grades 1–6 in September. The camp begins on June 23 and will run Monday to Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The last day of camp will be August 1.

There is also a pre-camp program (beginning at 7:45 a.m.) with after-camp care available (until 5:30 p.m.) for an additional fee. Early-bird registrants will receive a $40 discount until May 9.

The Princeton Recreation Department day camp uses Community Park South and C.P. Pool as its home base. Activities include daily swimming, arts and crafts, sports, day-trips, nature walks, and special events held at the campsite.

Campers are split up by gender and grade. The counselor/camper ratio is 1/5 for younger groups and 1/8 for older groups.

Registration forms can be picked up at the recreation office or downloaded from www.princetonrecreation.com.

For more information, please visit the Rec Department website or call (609) 921-9480.

Princeton Recreation Seeking Counselors

The Princeton Recreation Department is accepting applications for summer camp counselors as well as Counselors-In-Training (CIT).

Interested candidates for CIT positions must be 13-years old as of June 23, 2008. CIT positions are volunteer positions. Interested Counselor candidates must be 14-years-old as of June 23, 2008. Candidates for Counselor and CIT positions must be available from June 20 through August 1.

Applications are available at the Recreation Department office located at 380 Witherspoon Street, or can be downloaded from the web at www.princetonrecreation.com. The deadline to apply is April 4, 2008.

For more information, please visit the Rec Department website or contact Ben Stentz at (609) 921-9480.

PU Alums Gengler, Lapidus Join Tennis Hall of Fame

Princeton University graduates Louise Gengler and Jay Lapidus will be inducted into the Mercer County Tennis Hall of Fame during a dinner celebration February 23 at the Trenton Country Club, West Trenton, NJ.

Held every four-years, the Hall of Fame is presented by the Mercer County Tennis Council, a volunteer body of local tennis enthusiasts, teaching pros, industry leaders, media, and others who work to promote tennis for all, and recognizes significant contributions to the sport made by individuals with strong ties to Mercer County.

An elite athlete in a number of sports who has held national rankings in both tennis and platform tennis, Louise Gengler left an indelible mark on Princeton athletics as both a player and a coach. In addition to captaining an undefeated field hockey team and playing on Princeton's first women's ice hockey team, Gengler distinguished herself on the tennis courts. She was undefeated in dual match play all four years, was team captain of an undefeated squad her senior year, and in 1975 was presented with the C. Otto Van Keinbusch Sportswoman of the Year Award as the University's most outstanding senior female athlete.

In 1979, Gengler became the Princeton University women's tennis head coach, a position she held for 25 years. Under her leadership, PU's women won seven Ivy League titles, four Eastern Collegiate titles and appeared in NCAA and AIAW national tournaments six times.

Throughout her career, Gengler has maintained a commitment to tennis' governing organizations, including the USTA, NCAA and ITA. Among other key leadership roles, she was a member of the ITA's Board of Directors from 1983-2004, serving as Chair of the Women's Operating Committee and playing an instrumental role in the strides made in collegiate women's tennis. In 2005, her numerous achievements were recognized by the International Tennis Hall of Fame with the presentation of its prestigious Tennis Educational Merit Award.

Gengler continues to remain active in tennis, both as a competitor and as an instructor. She also serves on the Boards of the Princeton Tennis Program and the International Tennis Club of USA, and is a member of the ITA's Endowment and Hall of Fame Committees. While retired as women's tennis head coach, Gengler works for PU's Athletic Department as Assistant Director of the Princeton Varsity Club.

Jay Lapidus' Mercer County tennis connections go back to his youth. Born and raised in Princeton, Jay began taking tennis lessons at nine under the watchful eye of Bill Stoner at the Mercer County Indoor Tennis Center, and demonstrated ability beyond his years. At the Lawrenceville School, Jay continued to hone his skills with the late Cephas Monnett, as he won four state prep titles and was national interscholastic singles champ.

In 1977, Lapidus matriculated to Princeton, where he was coached by David Benjamin. At PU, Lapidus captained the men's tennis team and achieved several national rankings, including the No. 1 collegiate spot in his junior year and a No. 1 USTA ranking in 21-and-under singles in 1980. Lapidus was named an All-American three times, and was selected for both the US Junior Davis Cup team and the US Davis Cup team.

After graduation in 1980, Lapidus joined the pro tour, reaching a singles ranking high of 34 in the ATP and 29 in World Championship Tennis. In 1984, Lapidus reached the round of 32 at the US Open; the following year, he reached the round of 16 at the Australian and the round of 32 at Wimbledon.

Lapidus then took a collegiate coaching job in 1987 as an assistant coach at the University of South Carolina, from where he also earned a Masters degree in Education.

For the past 20 years, Lapidus has been the Duke University men's tennis head coach, achieving an overall coaching record of 362-113. From 1996-2004, Lapidus coached the Blue Devils to an unprecedented 58-match winning streak in ACC regular season play, including seven consecutive perfect 8-0 seasons against conference opponents.

Lapidus is a six-time ACC Coach of the Year and five-time ITA Region Coach of the Year. Under Lapidus, Duke has won 15 more NCAA Tournament matches than any other ACC school and has been to the Elite Eight six times.

Joining Gengler and Lapidus in the Mercer County Tennis Hall of Fame Class of 2008 are Carl "Ace" Abbott, Stan Dlugosz, and David Haggerty.

Tickets for the Hall of Fame dinner cost $75. Proceeds will benefit charitable causes selected by the inductees: Friends of the Hamilton Township Library; Fox Chase Cancer Center; Angel's Wings; NJTL of Trenton; and Ronald McDonald House.

For more information or to receive an invitation, e-mail mercertennis@optonline.net, visit www.mercercounty.usta.com or call (609)890-8295.

Princeton Elite Soccer Holding Spring Camp

The Princeton Elite Soccer Academy (PESA), a newly formed soccer club in Princeton, is holding a spring-break camp for boys and girls in the Under-11 to Under-14 age groups.

The camp will take place at the Princeton High School turf field from March 24 to March 28 from 2 to 5 p.m.

PESA's goal is to provide the Princeton community with the opportunity to practice and play soccer at a competitive level. With Stoyan Pumpalov as Director of Training and coaching two teams from the academy (U-11 and U-17), PESA aims to help players reach a more advanced level in the game of soccer.

For more information on PESA and to register, call (609) 356-2982.

Obits

Raymond J. Smith

Raymond J. Smith, longtime editor-in-chief and publisher of the literary magazine The Ontario Review and Ontario Review Press, died on February 18 at the University Medical Center at Princeton. He was 77.

The cause was complications following pneumonia. He had been hospitalized one week.

Founded in 1974 in Windsor, Ontario, Canada, by Mr. Smith and his wife, the writer Joyce Carol Oates, The Ontario Review was conceived as a "North American Journal of the Arts" intended to bridge the gap between Canadian and American literary cultures. Since 1978, the magazine and the press have been published in Princeton, where Ms. Oates is a professor at Princeton University.

Over the years, fiction, poetry and essays from Ontario Review have frequently been represented in annual anthologies including the *Pushcort Prize: The Best of the Smoll Presses*. New and emerging writers as well as established writers such as John Updike, Nadine Gordimer, Edmund White, Margaret Atwood, Annie Dillard, Donald Hall, C.K. Williams and Russell Banks have appeared in its pages.

Born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin on March 12, 1930, Mr. Smith received a Ph.D. in English at the University of Wisconsin-Madison and prior to leaving the academic world to take up publishing in 1980, he taught English literature at the University of Windsor in Windsor, Ontario and New York University. He is the author of a critical study on the 18th century satirist Charles Churchell.

He is survived by his older sister Mary and his wife Joyce Carol Oates.

Dorothy O. Burns

Dorothy O. Burns, 92, of Princeton, died Friday, February 15 in Acorn Glen, Princeton.

Born in New Kensington, Pa, she resided in New Brunswick and Montclair before moving to Princeton 10 years ago. She was a member of the Central Presbyterian Church, Montclair; the Montclair Womens Club; and the Daughters of the American Revolution; she was also a volunteer of the Red Cross.

Daughter of the late William and Mary Whitacker Ormesher, wife of the late Leslie W. Burns, she is survived by two sons, Leslie C. Burns and Richard A. Burns, a daughter, Patricia Anne, and eight grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren, and six great great grandchildren.

A graveside service will be held Wednesday, February 20, at 11 a.m. at the Mount Hebron Cemetery, Upper Monclair.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Mather-Hodge Funeral Home, Princeton.

Mary Labow

Mary Labow(nee Cohen), 99, of Ewing, died February 12. Formerly of Princeton, and Scarsdale, N.Y., she was the mother of Marshall Labow of Stamford, Conn. and Arlene Hauser of Princeton; the grandmother of Alissa Hauser and Aron Hauser. She was active for many years in Hadassah, B'nai Brith Women, and Temple affairs. Graveside services were held Friday, February 15, at Roosevelt Memorial Park, Trevose, Pa. In lieu of flowers, contributions in her memory may be made to the Brown Hauser Tikkum Olam Fund c/o Jewish Community Foundation of the Greater East Bay, 300 Grand Ave., Oakland, Calif. 94610. The funeral arrangements were handled by Joseph Levine & Son.

James A. Cipriano

James A. Cipriano, 54, died Friday, February 15, at his home in Cranbury. He was diagnosed with ALS (Lou Gehrig's disease) in January 2007 and had the most progressive form.

Born in Hazleton, Pa., he attended Mother of Grace Grade School and Hazleton High School. Upon graduation from Villanova University and marriage to Pamela Damato in 1975, he and his wife lived in Philadelphia, Tampa, Chicago, and then settled in Cranbury 23 years ago.

He began his career as an auditor working for Price Waterhouse in Philadelphia, holding multiple positions at Price Waterhouse and Coopers and Lybrand, including international Human Resource management, and traveling to over 30 countries. Feeling the entrepreneurial bug, he began a Human Resource consulting business of his own. He helped companies of varying size with recruiting, training, and management development. He also gave numerous motivational and inspirational speeches to various groups and organizations.

Outside of work, he was a mentor, teacher, and volunteer. He was honored with NJ Volunteer of the Year in 2000 by First Concern Inc. for his role as a Family and Children's Services mentor and operational advisor. He also taught multiple grades of Cnnfraternity of Christian Doctrine (CCD) at St. Paul's Church in Broomall, Pa. and St. Anthony of Padua's Church in Hightstown. A gifted conversationalist, he could often be found offering advice, debating political views, discussing the latest Yankees victory, or reminiscing about how his Villanova Wildcats miraculously won the National Championship in 1985.

He is survived by his wife, Pamela; parents, Anthony and Margaret Cipriano of Hazleton; brother Ronald Cipriano of Florida; four children, Ashley Rue of Montgomery, Krista Stefanisko of Hamilton, Anthony N. and Jamie Cipriano of Cranbury; and two grandchildren, Ciprianna Nicole Rne and Tyler James Stefanisko.

The Funeral was held on Tuesday from the Mather-Hodge Funeral Home 40 Vandeventer Avenue, Princeton. Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at Queenship of Mary Church in Plainshoro.

There wili also be a visitation on Wednesday, February 20, 2008, from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Fierro Funeral Home 26 West Second Street, Hazieton, Pa.

The family has requested that in lieu of flowers a donation be made in his name to The Joan Dancy and People with ALS (PALS) Support Group.

Checks can be sent to: Riverview Medical Center,

Riverview Terrace Building, 2nd Floor Front Street, Red Bank, N.J. 07701.

Maria E. Janhofer

Maria Elisabeth Janhofer died peacefully on February 11 at Hunterdon Medical Center In Flemington after a long battle with breast cancer.

Born to Maria and Georg Menke nn July 11, 1958, In the small German town of Lahn, she was the eldest of six siblings. Taking care of her younger brothers and sister, she learned the meaning of family values. After high school, she was the only member of her family to leave home and gn to University, finishing with a Master's degree in library and information science. Part of her studies were at Florida State University in Tallahassee as a Fulbright scholar. During that year, she and her future husband Guenter fell in love with the U.S.A.

After a 10-year career as head of the documentation department of German publisher Gruner+Jahr, Maria focused on her two children David and Emily, who were born in 1990 and 1994 respectively. Having spent two years in northern New Jersey in the early 1990s, she relocated to Skillman in 2000.

In addition to her two children and husband, she is survived by her sister Anita and her brothers Friedhelm, Hans-Georg, and Ludger, all from Lahn, as well as many nieces and nephews, friends, and neighbors.

A Mass of a Christian Burial is scheduled for 10 a.m. on Wednesday, February 20, at St. Paul's Church in Princeton.

A memorial contribution may be given to the Hunterdon Regional Cancer Center, 2100 Wescott Drive, Flemington, N.J. 08822.

Katherine C. Mennella

Katherine Cuomo Mennella, 88, died February 1, at St Joseph's Skilled Care Center at Morris Hall In Lawrenceville.

Born in Princeton, she resided in Somerville for many years. She was a graduate of Trenton State Teachers College, where she also earned her Masters Degree. She taught in the Somerville public school system for over 40 years.

She was a member of St. Paul's Catholic Church in Princeton and the Immaculate Conception Church in Somerville.

Daughter of the late Joseph and Angelina Telese Cuomo and the wife of the late Camillo Mennella, she was also predeceased by her brothers, Michael, Anthony, Frank, and John Cuomo, and her sisters Theresa Nini, Molly Parker, and Elvira Guadagno, all of Princeton and Paul Cuomo of Florida.

She is survived by six nieces, many great nieces and nephews, and many great-great nieces and nephews.

A mass of Christian Burial took place on Saturday, February 16, at St. Paul's. Memorial contributions may be made to Health Care Ministry, PO Box 1517, Princeton 08540.

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Marjorie M. Jaeger

Marjorie M. Jaeger died peacefully in her home on February 12, surrounded by her children.

She was born on November 10, 1919 in Weehawken, N.J., the eldest daughter of William A. Maher and Mary Agnes O'Toole Maher. She graduated from Holy Angels Academy in Fort Lee in 1937, then attended Katherine Gibbs Secretarial School. She worked in the advertising business in New York City during the 1940s, where she met her future husband Harold (Hal) H. Jaeger. They were married on April 17, 1948. They had two children, Sarah and Hector, and their family included Hal's daughters from previous marriages, Gretchen and Elizabeth. The family lived in Connecticut, New York City, and Maryland before moving to Princeton in 1961.

Working in the real estate business in Princeton for over 40 years, she retired in December, 2006, having been with Peyton Associates for over 30 years. She was a longtime member of the Altar Guild at Trinity Church. Wherever she lived she kept a bird feeder and a bird book close at hand; watching the birds was a lifelong delight. She also enjoyed traveling to visit her children.

The description in her high school yearbook remained true all her life: "The 'Original Perfect Lady' is the one and only title for Marjorie. She has gained our gratitude and admiration ... because of her cooperation in creating a harmonious atmosphere."

She was preceded in death by her husband, Hal, in 1971, and by her sister, Zita Burdette, and brother, William Maher. She is survived by her daughter Sarah Jaeger of Helena, Montana; her son Hector Jaeger of Bath, Maine; stepdaughter Gretchen Swisher of Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida; and stepdaughter Elizabeth Bourne of Thornwood, N.Y., as well as eight grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

A memorial service was held on Saturday, February 16, at Trinity Church. In lieu of flowers the family requests that memorial contributions be sent to the Trinity Church Endowment at 33 Mercer Road, Princeton, N.J. 08540.

Religion

The Jewish Family & Children's Service of Greater Mercer County will host five events for seniors in late February and March as part of its Aging in Place program. The programs are free of charge to all area seniors.

On Wednesday, February 20 from 10 to 11 a.m., a workshop entitled "Keeping Your Home Green During the Winter Months" will be presented at the Prestige Diner on Route 33 in East Windsor.

On Thursday, February 21 from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m., a local version of "Antiques Roadshow" will be presented at the Meadow Lakes Community in East Windsor, where Tom Petrino, an appraiser, will examine and appraise personal items.

On Thursday, February 21 from 2 to 3 p.m., a workshop, "Handy Devices for Easier Living: Make Life Simpler through Assistive Technology," will be offered at Stonebridge at Montgomery in Skillman. The speaker, Jamie Prioli of New Jersey Protection & Advocacy, Inc., will talk about modern assistive technology devices.

To attend, RSVP by February 19 to Linda Meyer at (609) 987-8100.

On Thursday, March 13 at 1 p.m. a program titled "Greening New Jersey" will be presented at the Twin Rivers Library, 276 Abbington Drive, East Windsor. Mary Uschak, administrator of the Green Homes Office of the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency, will be the speaker. To attend, RSVP by March 11 to Ms. Meyer at (609) 987-8100.

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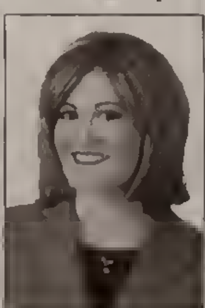

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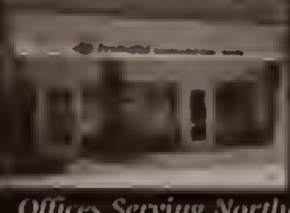

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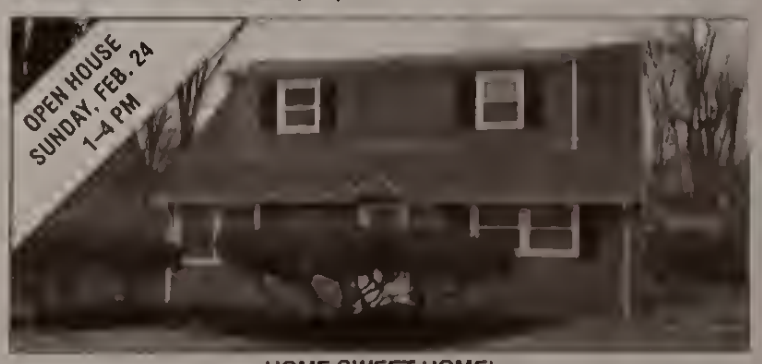

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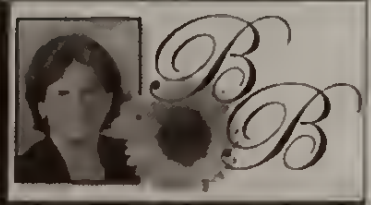

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A Historical Celebration In A Prime Location

This landmark c1830 Colonial, built by time-honored Charles Steadman, is an elegantly handsome introduction to Princeton Borough's Jugtown Historic District. At the front, its enduring construction mutes the passing world. of its premier location only blocks from the town's favorite shops and restaurants. At the back is the romance of a glorious English style garden, with a pond, nurtured by the Master Gardener owner. Knowledgeable attention has been given to the renovations and restoration of the house. Deep moldings detail the living and dining rooms – the living room has a fireplace and the dining room also with a fireplace, opens to both a butler's pantry and a garden room. A step-down library offers a fireplace and opens to the garden room, as well. The recently updated kitchen has stone counters and top-of the-line stainless steel appliances. A stair landing leads to the master bedroom suite designed by an historical architect. This renovation features a sitting area and sophisticated bath. A few more steps lead to two bedrooms, one with a fireplace, and a hall bath. The third floor is a fully approved apartment with living room, two bedrooms, kitchen and full bath. **$1,925,000**

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The newly constructed portico entrance, with a copper roof, adds to the perfection of an elegantly spacious interior. Designed by Robert Bennett, this handsome house is a masterful flow of generously proportioned rooms with high ceilings, random-width burnished wood floors and wide doorways. The living room, with marble fireplace, opens to the dining room; French doors in each lead to the terrace overlooking beautiful landscaping and the pool. The sunroom has a tray ceiling and custom lighting. Adjacent is a study with a full bath and new marble floor. A superb kitchen features two center islands, an Italian tile floor, back stairs and a sunny breakfast area. Nearby are the mud and powder rooms and a wine room. Opening to the kitchen area, the family room has a fireplace and built-in bookcases cabinetry. On the second floor, the baths are detailed with granite counters. The master bedroom suite enjoys its own fireplace and a glamorous bath. There are two pleasant bedrooms, a hall bath and a bedroom with bath en suite. A hallway leads to a guest suite, an expansive exercise/recreation room and laundry. On 2+ acres in one of Princeton Township's most picturesque settings. **$2,095,000**

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